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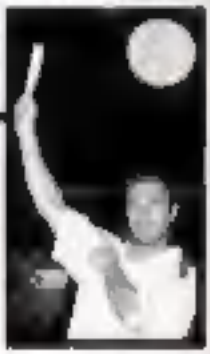

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Well, sort of . . . This is a computer-generated image of what Michael Jackson would have looked like at age 44 if he had never had plastic surgery.

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New spritz wards off homosexuals like bugs!

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A medical center has issued a nationwide recall of body parts — warning that some of them might be tainted with AIDS! PAGE 18

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A portrait of courage

By KATE McCLAIRE
Weekly World News

HIS LOVE IS stronger than the love Suzie Schechterle has for her husband Jason.

AVONDALE, Ariz. — After her husband suffered burns that left him horribly disfigured from his head to his hands, people actually made bets that Suzie Schechterle would leave him.

But the smart money was on Suzie and her enduring love for Jason.

"I don't want the looks of the man I married," she assured Jason. "I just want the man."

On the night of March 28, 2001, it looked like Suzie wouldn't even have that.

'I don't want the looks of the man I married, I just want the man.'
— Suzie Schechterle

A ONCE handsome man, Officer Jason Schechterle was put in a chemically induced coma for over three months to spare him the excruciating pain from the burns he suffered.

Her husband sustained third-degree burns to his head. Most of his face is gone including his ears and nose. There are burns to his hands, arms and legs."

Jason, a Phoenix police officer, was sitting in his parked patrol car with the headlights on. Suddenly, a taxi roared out of nowhere and slammed head-on into Jason's car, smashing it and causing it to burst into flames.

The crash caused Jason's seat belt to jam, trapping him in a twisted heap of burning metal. Rescue workers finally cut him free.

Incredibly, Jason survived the crash and the fire — but with terrible injuries. Once a handsome man with an easy grin, he lost all of his hair and most of his ears and nose. His hands were so badly burned, doctors had to amputate the first two fingers and the thumb of his left hand.

The surgeons asked themselves if they were doing the right thing by saving him.

But they did save him, putting him in a chemically induced coma for more than three months to spare him the excruciating pain of the burns.

It's been a long, painful road back, but Jason's making it. He was released from the hospital after about five months, and has been undergoing physical therapy. He can now play catch with his 3-year-old son, Zane, and hopes to continue improving. He also plans to replace

In November the couple are expecting a baby

The cab driver who hit Jason's car was sentenced to 12 years in prison. He had lost control of the car during an epileptic seizure. In fact, he wasn't even supposed to be driving because he'd had several previous accidents due to his seizures.

Amazingly, Jason tells people not to feel sorry for him — he's just grateful to be alive.

"Those firefighters and doctors did me a huge favor," he says. "They gave me a chance to be something. And I'm still very proud of who I am.

"Don't get me wrong," he adds. "I miss my face. But while my appearance matters, it helps that I have a beautiful wife who looks at me like she used to, in affectionate ways like she used to be.

Law enforcement officers killed

The number of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty has declined since the early 1970s according to the Justice Department. Between 1974 and 1998, of the over 1,800 officers killed —

- 17% were on disturbance calls.
- 14% were investigating suspicious persons/circumstances.
- 14% were in robbery arrest situations.
- 14% were making traffic pursuits/stops.
- 13% were attempting arrests for offenses other than robbery or burglary.
- 11% were in ambush situations.
- 7% were in an arrest situation involving

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Out of LEFT FIELD

By BOBBIE BENDER
Weekly World News

Pay as you go

Pay toilets are making a comeback in some bars in Ohio, but instead of putting a coin in the door, you'll be charged by the sheet of toilet paper!

Some smart bar owners looking to turn a few extra bucks found out there was money to be made in the rest rooms — and I'm not just talking about the condom machines.

With these new pay toilets, you swipe your credit or debit card in the slot on the stall's door, and then it calculates how much time you spend and also charges by the sheet of toilet paper. And no, they don't charge double for two-ply t.p.!

But if you're not careful, you could "wipe out" your credit limit!

Sit and be fit

A very resourceful man in California has invented the sports fan's dream chair — you lose weight just by sitting in it!

Imagine getting yourself settled in before a football game with all your snacks, condiments and beer, then sitting back and receiving a better workout than you could get at any gym. This amazing new vibrating recliner will be on the market in time for next season.

So the next time your wife gets on your case about watching too much football, tell her you're not just watching TV — you're working out! And in no time, there'll be a whole lotta shakin' goin' on!

Send me your stories

Hey, gang — if you've got any stories you'd like to see me write about in this column, send them to: OUT OF LEFT FIELD, c/o Weekly World News, 5401 NW Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, Fla. 33487

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FOREWARNED IS FOREARMED!

We were the first newspaper to pinpoint the West Nile virus as a terrorist attack

Dear Editor,

Looks like you guys were right on target with your report saying the West Nile virus is part of a terrorist plot.

The mainstream media is starting to cover this story, but Weekly World News had it first.

I just thank God you guys are out there. You're not afraid to report the truth before anybody else does.

I'm going to keep an extra can of insect repellent around me at all times.

Dale M.
Akron, Ohio

Weekly World News is the paper that isn't afraid to tell it like it is!

Dear Editor,

I saw the letters you printed from those two country fans. I never liked country music because I think it's too depressing and negative.

The Beatles' music is more positive and uplifting. It's about peace, love and understanding. John Lennon knew what real love is. Country singers do not know.

I'm not saying country music is sinful. I'm just saying I don't like it.

A Beatles fan forever,
Sharon B.
Beaver Dam, Wis.

And to the debate rages on. John Lennon wrote great songs like "All You Need Is Love," but we bet he couldn't ride a mechanical bull or do a Texas two-step!

Dear Editor,

I have two sets of suggested names for the Nineteen Quintuplets.

First Bessie, Cassie, Dessie, Jessie and Rosie.

Second Anne, Bret, Chad, Drew and Elva.

Christine L.
Elwood, Ind.

Those are all great names, Christine. They'd need to have another set of quints to use them all! But the contest isn't over yet, readers, so keep those suggestions coming in.

Now here's a letter from a guy who'd like to enter our "Name the Quints" contest, but says he can't!

Dear Editor,

I am a 80-year-old man, and I do not know many young girls names any more. They call me "Grandpa" now. But I wish you well with your contest.

James T.
Miami, Fla.

Maybe you can suggest some classic old names, like Zelda, Edith, or Hazel!

Dear Weekly World News,

Hi! How are you? I'm fine.

I'm writing in regards to the Three-Breasted Beauty (September 14, 2002). I would like to meet her. I think she is as pretty as any other women out there.

To me, she is beautiful. I would like to be the one to settle down with her and have her as my true love. No one in this world should make fun of someone just because they are a little different. I think we're all alike in different ways.

Wayne C.
Sugar Grove, Penn.

Thanks for a very thoughtful letter, Wayne. We got a ton of proposals for the Three-Breasted Woman, and yours was one of the most sincere.

She hasn't decided which lucky guy she will settle down with, so you still have a chance. But be warned: She can be a real handful.

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Archaeologist discovers lost arms of Venus de Milo

By SAM HAYES
Weekly World News

MELOS, Greece — The missing arms of the Venus de Milo were discovered last week in a cellar in Southern Croatia — and it turns out she's got hideous man-hands!

"We rushed the arms to the Louvre in Paris and matched them up to the statue. They were a perfect fit," says art historian Ovidio Bartoli.

"Then we did some carbon-dating and we confirmed that these are the real deal."

Word of the discovery has created an uproar in the art world.

"It's hard to believe someone so talented in anatomy would have such trouble keeping the fingers in proportion," notes Campbell Hauser, the archaeologist who discovered the statue's freakish limbs. "Instead of looking like the hands of a goddess, they look like those of a plumber!"

Art critics and historians are up in arms over this shocking find. Debate rages over whether or not the missing limbs should be restored. Leading the argument against restoration is art historian Ovidio Bartoli of the Ludvian Museum of National Art.

"The misshapen appendages are an abomination," declares Bartoli. "I'm certain the artist removed the arms himself after he saw how they came out. He knew he would have a beautiful sculpture, if not for those awful ham-hands."

On the other side of the debate is art critic Guiseppi Vesper, who says, "These arms are a historical find, one that should be fully restored."

Bartoli disagrees. "Restoring this work of art to its original form would be a travesty. It would be like fitting in the crack in the Liberty Bell."

No one knows who sculpted the Venus de Milo, or exactly when it was carved. It was found by a peasant on an Aegean island in a basement.

Over the years, art advisors have proposed adding arms holding apples, lamps and clothes and even arms that pointed in different directions.

But France's King Louis VIII decided that the Venus de Milo was perfect just the way she was.

An executive board at the Louvre will decide their fate next week.

Vesper calls it an insult to the memory of the artist to not reattach the arms to the statue. "I am confident this is what he would've wanted," the art critic says.

He adds, "When it comes time to fight this battle in court, I will have a team of lawyers by my side. I will not face this challenge unarmed . . . and neither should the Venus de Milo."

ARMLESS sculpture Venus de Milo.

NEW STUDY REVEALS:

GALS MORE LIKELY TO SLUG A CO-WORKER THAN GUYS!

LONDON — Women are more likely than men to clog a co-worker, an employment agency study shows.

The Portemps firm says 51 percent of women get so mad at work they feel like hitting someone. But only 39 percent of men want to slam their fist into a co-worker.

Portemps they lose their tempers over problems such as rude colleagues, bad equipment, heavy workloads and interruptions while on the phone. Two-thirds take it out on co-workers by yelling.

"Conditions in most offices are pretty toxic," laments Michael

WORLD NEWS SYNDICATION

KING KONG KITTY

YOU mighty see the size of the fabulous King Kong Kitty caught up

. . . tips the scale at a whopping 68 lbs. — crushing the record of 42 lbs. set in July!

IN 500 THE KING KONG KITTY CONTEST!

HOW MUCH kitty litter does King Kong Kitty use in a typical week? Guess correctly and you could win a whopping $500!

Entries must be postmarked by Nov. 7, 2002. The first correct guess that we receive wins the big bucks — so send yours in today!

Include your name, address and daytime phone number, and send your guess to:

King Kong Kitty Contest,
c/o Weekly World News,
5401 NW Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, FL 33487.

The employees of Weekly World News and American Media Inc. and their families are not eligible. All decisions of the judges are final.

CHRIST CHURCH, New Zealand — An incredibly massive meow-er has emerged to grab the title of World's Fattest Cat, and he makes the previous record-holder look like a skinny little toothpick!

The owner of the new "heavyweight" champ, carpenter John McElvoy, 34, named him King Kong.

"It was meant as a joke, since he was the smallest kitty in the litter. But he sure has packed on the pounds since then."

This flabby tabby smashes the scales at a mind-boggling 49 pounds.

That's way more than 45-pound Tonya, who Weekly World News declared the World's Fattest Cat in our July 2, 2002 issue. And it's more than eight times the size of the average house-cat.

Just how fat is King Kong?

He once coughed up a hairball so big, it bounced up and broke a window.

He tried to climb a big oak tree in the back yard, and the branch snapped off, with him on it.

He has crushed tables and chairs just by sitting on them. "One time he even broke a bed," McElvoy recalls with a laugh.

King Kong is too fat to chase mice, but he once accidentally sat on one and squashed it to death.

His kitty litter has to be changed five times a day — and he leaves such huge, smelly deposits, McElvoy spends about $25 a week on air fresheners.

That's a clue that could help you win our King Kong Kitty Contest, in which we're awarding a big $500 to whoever correctly guesses how much kitty litter this fat feline uses. For details, see the story to the left.

McElvoy says it's his fault that King Kong packed on the pounds by eating too much. "I knew Kong was feeling depressed after his baby cat friend moved away so I started overfeeding him, and I guess I got a little carried away."

Among the gourmet goodies Kong enjoys: Pounds of fresh tuna and salmon, gallons of ice cream and hunks of imported cheese.

"His vet keeps telling me I'm going to kill Kong if I let him keep eating like this," McElvoy says. "But at this point he needs three calories just to maintain his metabolism.

"And now," he adds proudly, "I can say I have the World's Fattest Cat!"

WWN reported on the previous fattest cat, Tonya, in our July 2, 2002 edition.

THE MANY FACES OF MICHAEL JACKSON

. . . WITH AND WITHOUT PLASTIC SURGERY!

By GLENN MUELLER/Weekly World News

MICHAEL JACKSON at age 14.

LONDON — Will the real Michael Jackson please stand up? You may be surprised to learn that both of these photos depict the legendary King of Pop.

One of the photos shows Jacko's now freakishly famous face, just the way his throngs of fans have come to know and love it.

The other depicts what the face of Michael Jackson would look like today without his many years of skin treatments and plastic surgeries.

Computer experts spent hours artificially aging pictures of a teenage Michael Jackson, in order to determine what the pop icon would see each time he looked at the "man in the mirror" — if only he hadn't tampered with the way God intended him to look.

Jackson's face may not have launched a thousand ships, but it is the subject of an upcoming documentary on British television. In the program Michael Jackson's Face, interviews are conducted with family and friends of the 44-year-old phantom.

The program also allegedly explores whether traumas from Jackson's childhood may have led the celebrity to want to permanently remove any resemblance to his father from his facial features.

"This is not an anti-Michael campaign," says director Trevor Beattie. "It is an investigation of the most famous face in the world."

JACKO AT 44

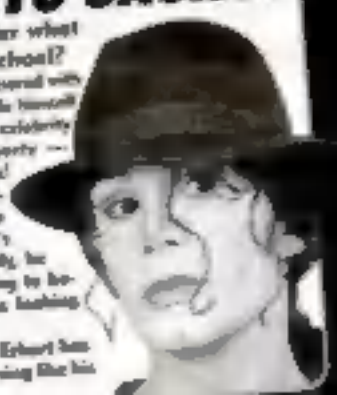
WACKO TURNS INTO JACKO!

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Ever wonder what kind of wacko would want to look like Michael?

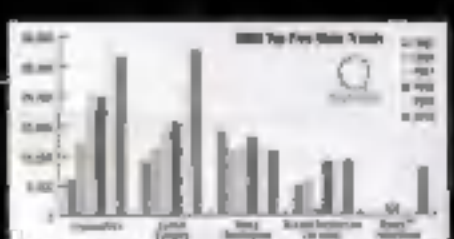
Steve Erkart was so enamored with the King of Pop that he made himself look just like his favorite celebrity — not for a Halloween party — but for the rest of his life!

Erkart paid a prominent plastic surgeon to transform him into Jacko's spitting image. Apparently, he figured the next best thing to being Michael Jackson was looking exactly like him.

No word on whether Erkart has learned to moonwalk or sing like his



Top five plastic surgery trends



This home is made from trash!

MIKE Reynolds' hefty house, made entirely from recyclables, looks like something out of a Star Wars movie.

By KATIE McCLARE / Weekly World News

EL PRADO, N.M. — Mike Reynolds won't be offended if you say his house is a dump, because it really is — it's made of trash!

The house is composed almost entirely of recycled materials — old tires, cans, glass and plastic bottles, paper and cardboard.

This amazing abode is called an Earthship Hut, and Reynolds thinks more people should live in one.

"The Earthship is a building that will take care of you," Reynolds explains on the Web site of his company, Solar Survival.

The trash house uses energy and natural resources of the Earth and the sun to heat, cool, provide power and collect water, but it's not as primitive as it sounds. The solar power can keep lights, appliances and even computer equipment running just like in a regular house or office.

People are now living in more than 1,000 Earthship Huts around the United States.

You can get the plans to build one at Solar Survival's Web site, www.earthship.org.

You can also go there to sign up for seminars that teach you how to build your own temple of trash.

Even though they're made from materials people have thrown away, the Earthship Huts are actually more appealing than many ordinary houses.

One model has a luxurious bathroom with a spa, and another shows a living room with exposed wood beams.

Rebecca Nanni of Solar Survival says the average Earthship costs $110 to $150 per square foot if you hire a contractor to build it for you. This means a 2,000-square-foot building would set you back about $240,000.

So the next time someone starts bugging you about that pile of empty beer cans in the living room and the stack of trash tires in your driveway — just tell them you're gathering up raw materials to build your dream house.

SPECIAL REPORT

BAT BOY IS MISSING!

WASHINGTON — Bat Boy is missing!

He was last seen where he is, said the FBI, not the Pentagon, said the White House.

And for the first time since the mysterious mutant was first found in a West Virginia cave a decade ago, not even *Weekly World News* can tell you what's become of him!

Red-faced Department of Defense officials admit they've lost track of the pint-sized, half-bat, half-human creature, who enlisted the in U.S. Marines to help fight the war on terror after the barbaric September 11 attacks.

"As of 14:00 — 2p.m. — on May 22, we have lost all communication with Bat Boy," confirmed a Pentagon source who requested anonymity.

[illegible] in Argentina. President Bush awarded Bat Boy the Shadow Warrior Medal of Heroism for his actions.

Since the ceremony, Bat Boy has not been seen.

"This is a potentially explosive situation. Remember, Bat Boy is an official U.S. Marine," says the source. "The Joint Chiefs [illegible] commanded on the disappearance. "If Bat Boy has reverted to his 'bad boy' ways, there's no telling what will happen," says a U.S. government source.

But there's an even scarier possibility. Bat Boy's [illegible] Bat Boy is found he could be [illegible] enemy lines in Afghanistan," the source adds.

"He could be the prisoner of Osama Bin Laden's group."

"We just don't know — and that's the scary part.

"I suppose you [illegible]

Shocking new photos reveal...

By MAX DURANGO
Weekly World News

LOCH NESS MONSTER SHOT!

Big-game hunter says 'I'll have her stuffed!'

THIS shocking series of photos shows the Loch Ness monster being shot by a hunter and then plunging back into the water.

EDINBURGH, Scotland — "I shot the Loch Ness monster!"

That's the claim of a hunter who says he fired his semi-automatic rifle at the beast, but failed to make the killing head shot he was aiming for.

The hunter's shot was inadvertently documented by a photographer on the opposite shore of the lake, who had no idea he was recording an attack on Nessie when he came up with the stunning photographs seen on the page at left.

DR. BRIAN MacHennessy

"I wanted a clean shot at her head, but I only got to wing her in the neck," hunter Angus O'Malley says.

Searches of the loch by scuba divers have not located the body.

"I have to assume she's still alive," O'Malley says. "In hunting circles, we have a simple rule: If you don't find a body, it doesn't count as a kill."

O'Malley is a big-game hunter who has stalked many of the world's deadliest animals. "I've hunted moose, elephants, tigers — all the big beasts," he boasts.

"You should see my wall at home — I've got stuffed heads of all the toughest animals, including an elk, a buffalo, and a ferret.

"But lately, I've gotten bored hunting the same old animals. I decided to go after Nessie when I realized that no one had ever hunted before.

"The first beastie on my list was ol' Nessie. I've been stalking out this loch for weeks. I knew she'd poke her head out eventually, and when she did, I'd be ready."

O'Malley's patience paid off in his third week.

"My pal Hamish and I were sitting by the campfire, roasting some hot dogs, when he yells out, 'Beastie at 12 o'clock!' I jumped up and grabbed my gun. There she was, her long neck sticking out of the water like a big beautiful sea snake.

"I got her in my sights and squeezed the trigger, but she moved at the last second, so my bullet only grazed her.

"I know I scored a direct hit, because I saw a chunk of her neck go flying, and there was blood in the water."

But Nessie got away.

Meanwhile, Dr. Brian MacHennessy — who claims to have Nessie's head stuffed and mounted on my wall."

"Nessie got lucky this time," says cryptozoologist Dr. Brian MacHennessy. "There are no laws protecting monsters like Nessie from hunters. But there should be — she's one of the last surviving members of an endangered species."

In February 2002, Weekly World News reported that Nessie was pregnant by the Lake Champlain Monster. Dr. MacHennessy thinks she gave birth before the shooting.

"Nessie is undoubtedly the paper in these new photos. Given the natural breeding cycle of these creatures, I think she's produced one or more offspring since then."

Dr. MacHennessy figures Nessie escaped to the bottom of the lake. "She probably swam back to be with her young, and is healthy."

As for O'Malley, he says he won't rest "until I get that beastie's head. Then I'm going after Bigfoot!"

NESSIE last made headlines in our February 2002 issue, when we revealed she'd been impregnated by another sea monster from North America.

Barber bites off man's thumb!

LAKELAND, Fla. — Talk about getting a "little bit off the top." A ticked-off barber allegedly bit off a customer's thumb — because the guy tried to back out of a lousy

[redacted]

Khakum Gibson Charles Gibson says he changed his mind about getting his locks snipped when he looked in the barber's eyes and felt he somehow "didn't look normal."

Gibson's inside intuition proved to be right on the money, because when he told the barber, "That's okay, I'll get my hair cut by somebody else," the offended businessman went berserk.

First he allegedly [redacted] razor from his barber kit and tried to slash Gibson's face. Failing that, he chomped on the frazzled patron's right thumb.

"He just literally chewed it off," Gibson, 47, said in an interview. "I told him, 'Look what you've done!' Then he spat it out and ran away."

WORLD'S SHORTEST MARRIAGE

A MATCH MADE IN HELL: Kyle and Rochelle went from the church to a divorce court in Mexico.

By MATT SITT/Weekly World News

EAGLE PASS, Texas — A bickering couple walked out of church on their wedding day as husband and wife — only to get a quickie divorce three hours later!

"I had a bad feeling as soon as 'Here Comes the Bride' started playing," says the embarrassed bride, Rochelle DeBargen. "I should have spun on my heel right there and made a run for it."

Instead, Rochelle proceeded, marrying Kyle Ostaff in an elaborate service. "We fought more and more as the wedding day got closer," says Ostaff. "I thought it was supposed to be the happiest time of my life. Instead, by the time we walked down the aisle, she was giving me the evil eye."

Eyewitnesses say Ostaff sealed his fate by asking his bride-to-be to sign a prenuptial agreement just minutes before the wedding. One bridesmaid recalls, "Kyle handed her a contract, and Rochelle almost blew her stack right there."

In front of all of their family and friends, Rochelle and Ostaff were pronounced husband and wife at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, September 28. Their divorce was finalized at 6:00 p.m. that evening.

By the time Rochelle exited the church, she had already made up her mind. "Not only did the thought of spending the rest of my life with that pig disgust me, I couldn't even smooze upstairs, the whole afternoon with him," Rochelle says.

The newlyweds waved their way through the crowd and climbed into their rented limousine. They never arrived at their reception.

The limousine driver was instructed to drive to the nearest courthouse.

"Texas courthouses are closed on Saturdays," explains Rochelle. "I knew if I wanted to take care of business, I'd have to drive to Mexico."

"I knew they were serious when Kyle moved up to the front seat," the limo driver says.

Across the border in Piedras Negras, Mexico, the couple found a courthouse that offered 24-hour divorce service, and they got right down to business.

The Mexican judge had the couple sign a few papers to reverse the three-hour-old marriage.

Rochelle rode in the limousine back across the border and Ostaff took a cab. "I would have walked home barefoot over hot coals if I expect I never had to see that evil witch again," says Ostaff.

"My marriage to Rochelle DeBargen was the longest three hours of my life."

INTERNATIONAL DIVORCE RATES

SERENA UPDATE

SOCA BATON, Fla. — Beloved Weekly World News psychic Serena Sabah is still clinging to life in the aftermath of the horrific car crash that left her with massive injuries. And doctors say the prognosis of her ailing friend remains very bad as she lies clinging for dear life.

"But I believe that Serena has a great will to live, and her psychic powers are also aiding her to come to the hopeless situation of her predicament.

"And she's going to need all the prayers and spiritual support she can get," he added.

Serena suffered severe injuries and internal injuries when her car was allegedly forced off the road by a hit-and-run driver. The accident has caused her hearing, eyesight and speech, and it was quite the shock to her family when she — not the driver — was charged with vehicular homicide by police.

Serena's husband, Ali Sabah, who has carried her photo with him since 1995, the accident have increased our affairs with death and taking place leading up to the tragedy.

"My family is deeply grateful for all the support of Serena's readers and friends," Ali said. "Your prayers and spiritual energy are helping her to fight for her life."

Ali also has asked for prayers for Serena's mother, Mrs. Sabah, who is suffering from a broken hip and other injuries she received in the accident.

Readers may send their good wishes by writing to Serena Sabah, c/o World News, 5401 Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, FL 33487.

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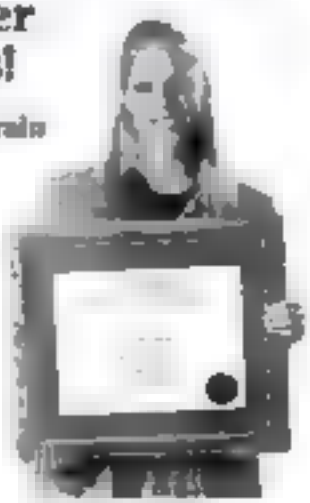

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MAN-EATING FISH SPOTTED IN FLORIDA LAKE!

It's over 20 feet long and can eat a gator!

CARLA McIntosh [illegible] snapped this photo of the mysterious monster fish [illegible]

By [illegible]

LAKE OSBOURNE, Fla. — Parents are keeping their children indoors and pet-owners are tightening their leashes in fear of the 25-foot carnivorous fish one witness claims he saw eat an entire adult alligator.

Wildlife officials are baffled by reports of the creature, which they initially dismissed as an urban legend.

Fish and game investigator Steve Batons is planning to gather information on the creature, including numerous eyewitness accounts as well as a photograph of the freaky fish taken from a distance.

"The data I've gathered so far seems to suggest that we're dealing with a massive carnivorous fish, between [illegible] feet in length [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] species [illegible] known as the [illegible] [illegible] fish," says Batons.

Batons warns that the [illegible] fish [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]:

- Have a voracious appetite for flesh of just [illegible] any kind — even its own.
- Reproduce at an alarming rate.
- [illegible]
- Be able to devour a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] seconds.

Fisherman Dalton Winters [illegible] saw first-hand the massive monster [illegible] attack.

"I was at my regular fishing spot trying to catch myself a catfish for dinner when I saw something big thrashing around. The water turned red, then this big sea-head poked out of the water. The monster was about the size of the hood of my [illegible] Caddy, and inside it was half of a full-grown alligator."

Winters froze in place watching the beast [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

STEVE BATONS
fish & game investigator

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and I ran like hell to my car."

Another witness, Carla McIntosh, 2[illegible], was walking around the lake when she was startled by a noise.

"At first I thought that someone was following me. Then I saw something thrashing out in the water so I reached into my fanny pack for my camera," says Carla.

The still rattled witness continues, "Then I heard a big splash from the lake where I saw that [illegible] thing.

"I knelt down and snapped a picture of it. Then I ran home at a full sprint!

"I swear, I don't think I'll ever forget the sight of that [illegible] beast," concludes quick-thinking Carla.

The wildlife department has no official comment on the creature.

"But I suggest that all area residents be aware of the great danger that this [illegible]

FISHERMAN Dalton Winters watched as the monster of Lake Osborne [illegible]

DOPES OF THE WEEK

GUNMEN ASK VICTIMS TO LIE TO POLICE!

BOSTON — Two gunmen bungled an armed robbery and actually thought they could get their victims to help them out with their alibis!

Sources say the men took hostages at a plaza restaurant, but the robbery went wrong. So they asked their captives to tie them up and tell the police that they were victims too.

The quick-thinking restaurant manager says he told the gunmen, "I'm going to go outside and tell the police officers that the bad guys left and you guys were tied up with us."

But he told them the truth, of course, and the two men were busted for kidnapping and attempted robbery.

NAPPING BURGLAR NABBED WHEN HE STEALS 40 WINKS!

NASHUA, Hampshire — A man who robbed a church might have gotten away with it — if he hadn't tried to steal 40 winks right near the scene of the crime!

Cops say they found the 28-year-old man near the home of a church that had been robbed. He was sleeping on a carpet that had been stolen from the church, and had other purloined objects with him.

The man confessed to the robbery and told cops he had decided to take a little rest but fell fast asleep.

NICE SHOOTIN', TEX!

CRIPPLE CREEK, Pa. — A man wanted to prove what a hot shot he was — and he wound up getting fried!

Sources say two buddies were target-shooting in a field, but apparently had grown tired of using bottles and birds. So they took a few shots at the insulators holding wires on top of two electrical poles.

A high-voltage wire fell to the ground and started sparking. One of the men, fearing it might cause a fire, grabbed the wire — and was electrocuted.

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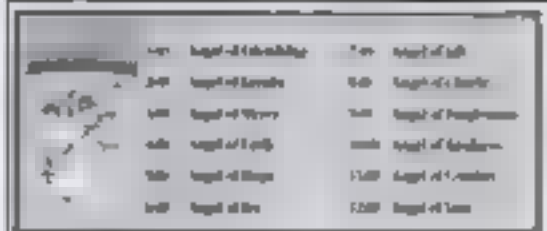

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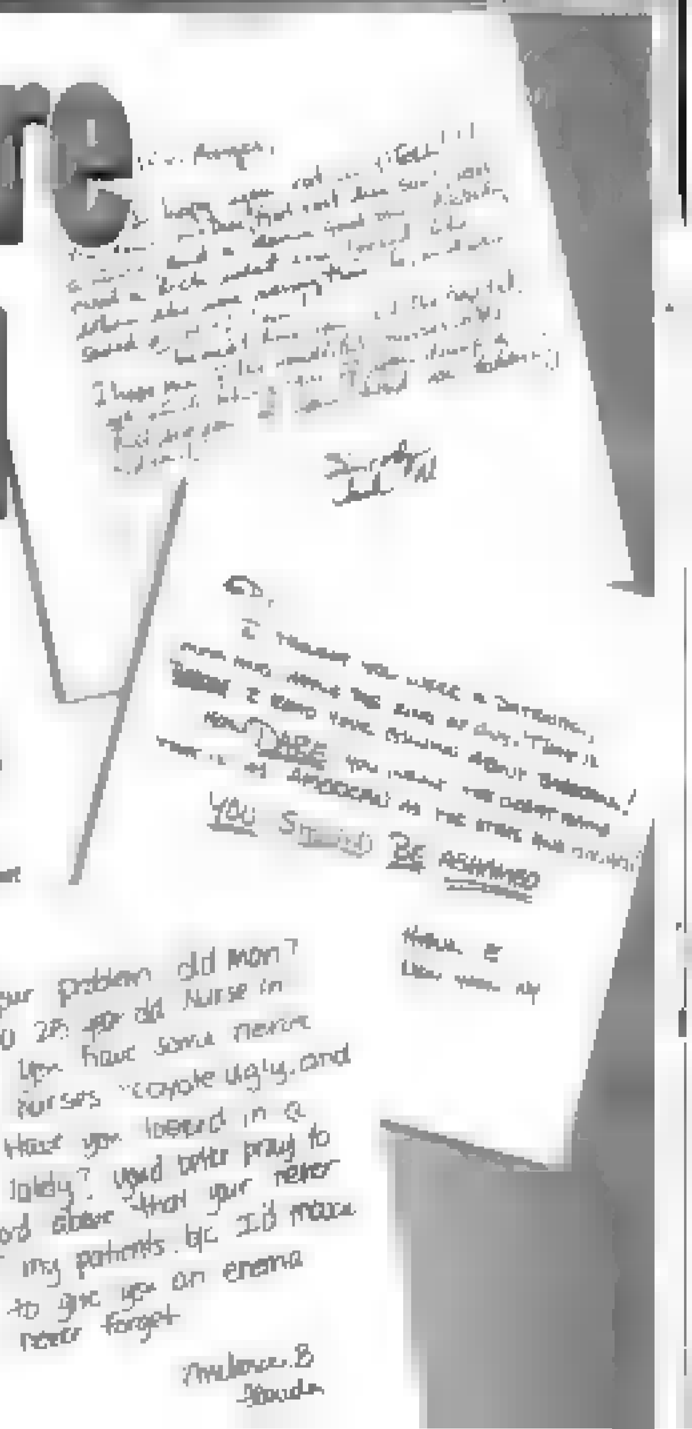
My America

By Ed Anger DOUBLE FEATURE

Readers fire back at Ed



Dear Editor,

I read Ed Anger's column saying nurses are too ugly. How can you print such a degrading article? It's an insult to nurses all around the world. Tell Anger to stay away from medical help. He should insult other folks instead.

Anneliese B.
Sarasota, Fla.

★ ★ ★

Dear Ed Anger,

Are you nuts or still sick? *Hogan's Heroes* was the stupidest show ever. A bunch of inept Krauts being fooled over and over again? The war wasn't that easy. I was there! Where were you in WWII?

Jack G.
Buenos Aires, Argentina

★ ★ ★

Dear Ed,

I'm with you brother! Calling out Osama Bin Laden is a stroke of genius. I hope that towel-headed camel jockey accepts your challenge, so you can kick his butt! I'm behind you all the way!

Allan S.
Knoxville, Tenn.

★ ★ ★

Dear Ed,

I just wanted to be the first to offer my support for the Ed Anger Baseball Plan!

As far as I'm concerned, Ed, you were being too kind when you called big league ballplayers and owners "spoiled, greedy, money-

have made it to the big show? During these difficult economic times, these spoiled slackers make big bucks running around in their pajamas, playing a kid's game!

America is counting on true patriots like Ed Anger to take back our National pastime! Instead of having them flip burgers though, Ed, I think we should send these ball-playing billionaires to Afghanistan!

Sincerely,
Gordon T.
Houston, Tex.
Proud American and Ed Anger supporter!

★ ★ ★

Dear Editor,

I just wrote to express my concern about Ed Anger's heart attack. Poor old Ed! He must have had half his brain shot out when he and I were in Korea — and now this heart attack thing!

Don't worry about him, folks! Thelma Jean and Jim Bo will take care of him. He will be back writing that great column in no time at all.

Get in shape, Ed! Uncle Sam might need us to serve our country again!

Jim H.
Gainesville, Ga.

★ ★ ★

Dear Ed Anger,

We've armed pilots . . . NOW ARM ALTAR BOYS!

THE PADRE will keep his hands to himself if the altar boy is packing heat, see fit.

I'm madder than a stewardess with an armful of overflowing barf bags that it's taken this danged long for the government to give airline pilots the okay to carry guns!

Right after September 11, I was the first one to go on record saying we need to arm our flyboys to the teeth. That's so the next time Abdul whips out a box-cutter and announces "This is a hijacking," the captain can calmly turn around and blow his head off -- towel and all.

Of course all the namby pamby gun-control nuts started squealing like stuck pigs, arguing pilots are "already armed" 'cause they have axes in the cockpit. Yeah, right! Axes are only weapons if you're a Viking, by Jiminy.

I even heard one gun-hating liberal wuss whimper that it might "traumatize" little kids to see a gun.

get shot, or getting a close up look at a patriotic landmark ... hoped up at 580 mph."

Well, President Bush and Congress are finally following my advice. It it was up to me though, they wouldn't just issue pilots ordinary handguns. I'd like to see the captains armed with UZIs. That way, if one of us got a whole bunch of evildoers on a plane, the pilot can wipe 'em all out with one hand and keep the plane flying steady with the other.

And I've got a whole list of other folks I think we ought to arm too.

Let's start with bus drivers. If you've ever been on a city bus, you know the Public Transportation Commission should issue 'em all flak vests and steel passengers.

And you know what everyday workers we are my friends. I figure I need to be able to defend myself from the world's latest young juvenile delinquents and drug peddling panhandlers who all tend to congregate in public restrooms today.

Pilots have finally earned the right to carry guns — I say, give 'em an Uzi!

That goes double for you here in the inner cities. If you're not "strapped" with at least as big a gun as the students have, these young wiseguys think you're a punk. Trust me kids get a lot closer attention to all posture when they're staring down both barrels of a loaded shotgun.

What have we come to back in school to be armed and we all know exactly why. Next time Father O'Leary gets drunk, the business end of a .44 Magnum pressed between his eyes ought to "remind" him who's the boss.

Some need 'em too. That poor sister who was raped and beaten with her own rosary beads would still be alive if the lady was packing heat.

Now I'm not suggesting guns to start gunning down sinners or to replace the rules with a Glock for minor punishment. But a desperate hostage will think twice about messing with Sister Agnes if he knows she's got a pistol tucked somewhere under her habit.

And if she doesn't want to kill the guy, heck, she can just give him a 22-caliber vasectomy!

BODY PARTS RECALL!

By GEORGE SAMPSON
Weekly World News

If you received a new hand, knee or organ . . . send it back!

GALVESTON, Texas — If you recently received new feet in an organ transplant, don't jump for joy until you find out where they [redacted] from. A leading medical center has issued an urgent nationwide [redacted] of body parts — warning that some of them might be tainted with AIDS!

The University of Texas Medical School admits that hundreds of human body parts it sent out may not have been properly tested for HIV, hepatitis and other deadly diseases before they were shipped.

Chillingly, that means that transplant recipients who've received contaminated spare parts — including hands, feet, knees and elbows — could be walking time bombs and not even know it.

The center's Willed Body Program has been shut down for mishandling cadavers that were left to science — and the FBI has launched a full scale investigation into the nightmarish and macabre scandal.

"We deeply regret that this has happened. We make no excuses for it," Steven Lieberman, a spokesman for the university, told reporters.

The cadavers are mainly used to train doctors in surgical techniques and are not supposed to be for transplants.

But red-faced university officials admit the center kept such sloppy records, there's a chance that ligaments, cartilage, bone and other tissue ended up in unsuspecting patients.

That's a horrifying prospect, since roughly 300 bodies a year were left to the Willed Body Program between November 2000 and May 2002, when the stomach-turning truth occurred. And as many as 40 medical organizations around the country received parts from the program — all potentially deadly damaged goods.

Figuring out just who got what is [redacted] because the records are in such a mind-numbing mess.

The bungling employee blamed for the [redacted] has been fired.

The [redacted] is also looking into sickening allegations that unscrupulous employees sold some of the remains. Another accusation is that ashes from different cadavers, which were cremated after they were carelessly mixed together before being solemnly handed over to family members.

HANDS, feet, knees and elbows were all shipped out of the University of Texas Medical School without being properly tested for HIV or hepatitis.

IN OTHER MEDICAL NEWS

Docs grow test-tube wee-wees

LONDON — Scientists are growing penises in the laboratory! A group of geneticists say they started by creating rabbit penises, and have successfully worked their way up to human wee-wees.

According to published reports, the test-tube penises are able to ejaculate like normal ones, and each one grows to [illegible]

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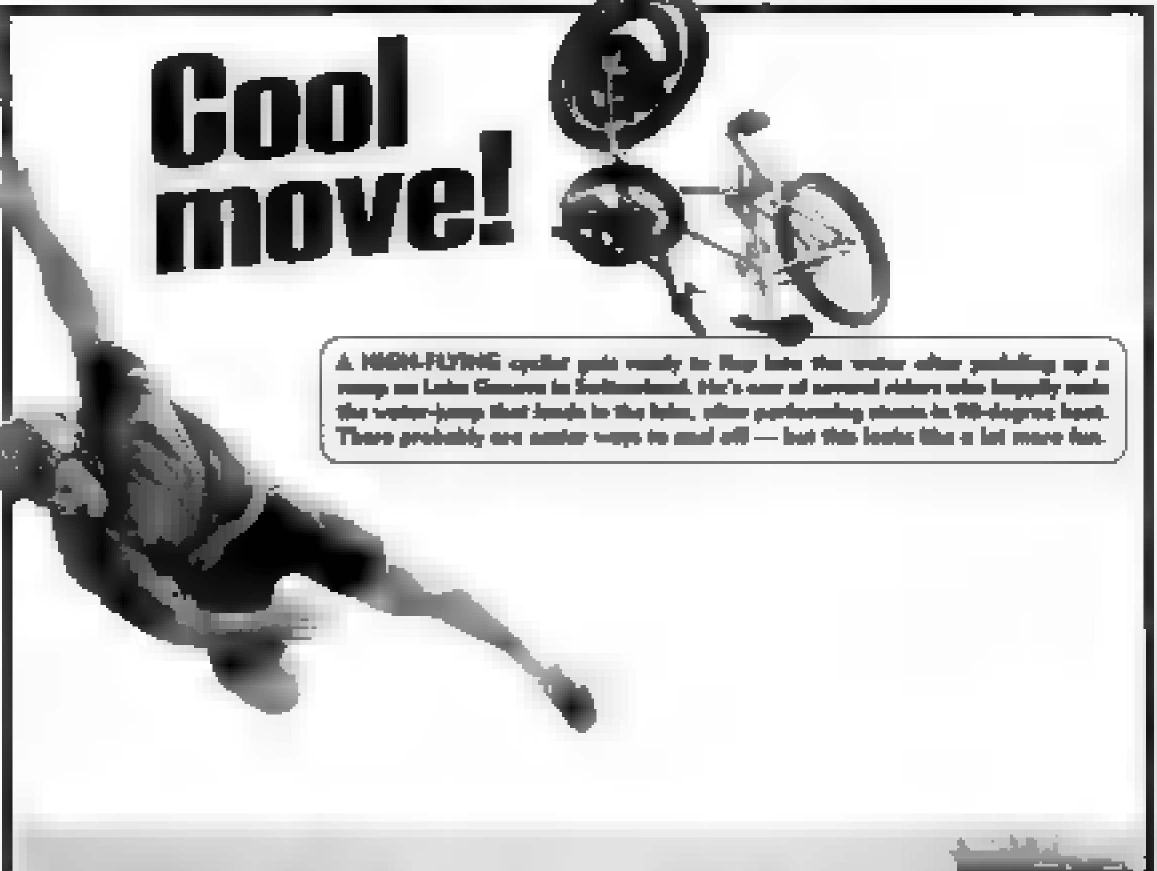

A HIGH-FLYING cyclist gets ready to flop into the water after pedaling up a ramp on Lake Geneva in Switzerland. He's one of several riders who happily rode the water-jump that leads to the lake, after performing stunts in 90-degree heat. There probably are easier ways to cool off — but this looks like a lot more fun.

Voodoo priestess shrank love rival's boobs

[illegible]

... with the breasts swelled ... to more ... .

Are you an Einstein, Gandhi or Hitler?

Take this quiz and learn the real truth!

ARE YOU a mental giant, a psychotic megalomaniac or a peace freak?

NOTTINGHAM, England — Do you remind people of Adolf Hitler? Or are you more of a Gandhi type — or a brainy Einstein?

According to a paper presented to the National Society of Psychology, top psychologists have determined that each of us fits into one of three distinct personality types: Albert Einstein, Mahatma Gandhi or Adolf Hitler.

"Love, hate and reason are the primary motivators in life," says Dr. Lorna Valenzuela, research director of the study. "So it is only logical that human beings can be categorized based on their propensity toward one of these three behavioral groups."

So which category do you fit in? Try taking a simplified version of their survey as presented below, and find out.

1) When confronted with a problem, I: A: Try to arrive at a creative but scientific solution. B: Blame others and try to rally support for my rigid beliefs. C: Start fasting to assure my mind and body are clear.

2) I prefer to wear: A: The same suit every day. B: A German military uniform. C: A toga.

3) I believe in the theory of: A: Relativity. B: Racial Purity. C: Passive resistance.

4) I prefer to wear my hair: A: Wild, white and woolly. B: Short and parted on the side. C: No hair at all. Bald is beautiful.

5) If I could have one wish, I would wish for: A: The answer to life's biggest mysteries. B: World domination. C: The chance to eat a cheeseburger without incurring the wrath of Vishnu.

6) My ideal partner is: A: Sexy but dumb, like Marilyn Monroe. B: Loyal, obedient, and willing to die for her Führer. C: Strong, opinionated and willing to go to jail for her beliefs.

7) If a speeding car cut me off in traffic, I would think: A: "From his perspective, I must seem to be traveling in reverse." B: "The Schweinhund! Die!" C: "No matter. In his next life he'll be a cockroach."

EVALUATION

Give yourself 1 point for each time you chose "A," 2 points for each "B," and 3 points for each "C." Total points. You're an imaginative dreamer who puts exploration and discovery far ahead of day-to-day ... are a modern-day Einstein.

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I still think it's a dream. How can I ever thank Mr. Carson who helped me cash in a check for $621,024.00 after only two times using his method. You know, I had never won anything in my life until the day that my friend told me to try his method. I was frustrated from losing (still a sad word in life). I had no medical insurance and regrettably, could not give proper care to my 5 year old boy who had been sick for months. Today, thanks to my friend I was able to pay for my son's medical needs, making him healthy and happy again. We are now planning to take him to Disney World. It's always been his wish. I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

J' Miley

Thanks to Mr. Carson, I WON $250,000.00

Mr Johnson's Bank Book

My good as I received Mr. Carson's winning method, I noticed how easy it was to apply. I hesitated to purchase a lottery ticket that allowed me to go on TV and win the $250,000.00 jackpot. Thanks to Mr Carson I could finally achieve my life long dreams. I still remember the many years of getting up before sunrise to get to work and getting home long after sunset. The end of the month would come quickly, and I would borrow money to pay the rent. We could never afford the simple luxuries of life (movies, restaurants, amusement parks). I remember the shame of having to accept second-hand clothes for my children. I pray to God for you to continuously bring joy to those people who, like me, deserve to be happy and free.

C. Johnson

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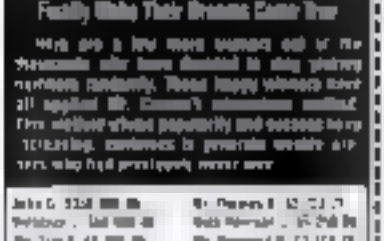

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Dear Dotti

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DOUBLE FEATURE

My hubby's taking dumps in our compost pile!

Dear Dotti: Help! I don't know what to do! My husband has a compost pile out back for scraps and leftover food but lately he has also been using it for other things. Let me put it to you this way . . . you don't hear much flushing in our house. He wants to help fertilize the compost! I told him it was sick. The neighbors are complaining and it stinks to high hell. What's worse is he wants me to do this also. He wants to get rid of all of our toilets. He is threatening to leave me if I don't! What should I do? — The Susquehanna Squatter

Dear Squatter: Hungry, scatterbrained people like you need to be fed to the little boys room, not compost heap. Lock the doors to the house and tell him he's not home. Tired of the Flies and will return to normal life only when indoor plumbing is better.

I'm constantly worried — should I ask my doctor for drugs

Dear Dotti: Lately I feel that I'm anxious and upset all the time. When I'm at work, I worry about things at home. When I'm at home, I worry about work. It seems like there's this constant, gnawing feeling of dread. I find it hard to focus. I'm afraid I'm suffering from chronic anxiety disorder. Should I consider using pharmaceuticals? — Worried in Portland

Dear Worried: You know what your problem is? You worry too much. Don't be such a worrywart. The next time you find yourself

Should I marry my farmer boyfriend?

Dear Dotti: I met this wonderful man and he wants to marry me but there's a problem. I'm from the city and he's from the country. He's a farmer. He's all fresh air — I'm Times Square. He enjoys doing chores. I like shopping in stores. How can I tell him I love him, but I need Fifth Avenue? — Eve in New York

Dear Eve: First, find out if he's got cash crops. If not, tell him you get allergic smelling hay.

Will my long-distant relationship with a musician work out?

Dear Dotti: Me and my boyfriend, "Dave," have had a great and romantic relationship for the past two years. We're looking forward to college. I'm an art major and want to go to New York. Dave's a musician and wants to go to Los Angeles. Do you think it's possible to handle a long distance relationship? — Hearts Apart in Little Rock

Dear Hearts Apart: Art meets music . . . Romeo and Juliet . . . Sonny and Cher . . . Dave's going to have to get a real job and you're going to help pay for it. Forget it!

I'm outraged over plan to stick homeless in buildings with lead paint on the walls

Dear Dotti: I'm an advocate for the homeless. A politician recently announced he wants to turn some old schools and gas stations into homeless shelters. My group and I are outraged at this! These buildings have lead paint peeling on their walls! How can we allow our homeless to face the dangers of peeling lead paint? I can't believe the government would force people into this! — Raging Liberal in Los Angeles

Dear Raging: I wouldn't want to be the one to tell them that homeless people usually don't pay rent. Most of them will be dead of drug and alcohol poisoning long before lead paint is a problem.

I lied to my on-line lover

Dear Dotti: I met a guy on the Internet. We've been writing for months now, and I've fallen in love with her. She wants to meet but I'm afraid. When we first started writing, I told her I was a tall, good-looking guy with thick, wavy blond hair. In fact, I'm short, pudgy and balding. How do I break this to my on-line lovely? — Mr. Lies in Chicago

Dear On-Line: I wouldn't worry. Your right hand is probably more than happy to help you out.

WRITE TO DOTTI PRIMROSE

Send Dotti your letters and questions — and let her tell it like

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Persistent in Scranton: If at first you don't succeed, give it up already.

Dear Absent-minded in Madison: Losing your memory can be scary. But on the other hand, it's like meeting new people every day.

Dear Hairy in Mexico: If that's the case, then I would shave it.

Dear Dry Mouth in Riverside: Stop ordering your food with "extra MSG."

Dear Crisco in Dalton: Going on two diets at once doesn't mean you'll lose weight twice as fast.

Dear Bashful in Atlanta: Sorry, but this job is taken and I'm not looking for a partner.

Dear Artist in Boston: While you're waiting for your art to be discovered, you might also want to consider moving out of your parents' house and getting a real job.

Dear Mother in Scranton: Unless your kids were born without arms, they should be able to make their own lunch by now. Tell the brats to stop whining and make some peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

Dear Penguin-Lover in Chicago: No, your inflatable penguin would not make an acceptable prom date. Get a life!

My brother won't stop mooning me!

Dear Dotti: My brother is a real troublemaker. He always wants to go where I go and brings his rude, nasty friends, too. Worst of all, he moons me and my friends and flashes them, too. Please help me, Dotti, to make him stop. I tried everything but nothing helps. But I know you can help me. — Annoyed in Deep Gap

Dear Annoyed: The next time the little bozo shows you a full moon, — or bother get flashes you — show him the business end of a steel-toed boot!

Should I sue my mechanic over male-oriented magazines?

Dear Dotti: I am a recently divorced woman. My husband used to fix my car, but now that he's gone, I bring my car to a neighborhood shop for servicing. While I wait in their waiting room, I notice they have magazines to read, but they are all about fishing, hunting, motorcycles, racing, etc. In other words, they're all male-oriented publications! I think that's terrible. Why don't they have magazines for women, too? I think I should sue. What do you think? — Lady Driver in Detroit

Dear Lady: What a sexist attitude you have. What do you watch male-oriented? You're only talking to the stereotypes females, you shouldn't be reading, you should be standing over those repairmen, learning how to fix your own car!

Is it wrong to ask my friend to pay back a loan?

Dear Dotti: Almost 20 years ago I loaned a friend of mine $2,000. In all this time, he has not mentioned it or offered to pay me back. Back then he was 10 or so and I was in my 40s and working. Now I'm retired for medical reasons. He's 56, and very well off. Lord knows I could use the money. Is it wrong to mention the loan? — Living on Cat Food in Kenosha

Dear Cat Food: It's not wrong — it's common sense, old man. If he hasn't paid you back by now, he probably never will. Maybe you'll get lucky and he'll leave you a few bucks in his will.

Our thoughtless relatives won't allow our dogs in their homes

Dear Dotti: I don't understand my brothers and sister. Whenever they visit, we let their kids come in our house. We let them sit on the sofa. We let them eat at the table. Yet every time we go over to their homes, they won't let us bring our dogs inside. We love our seven dogs. They are part of our family. Why can't they see that? — Lady Marmaduke in Ontario

Dear Lady Marmaduke: Unless your sisters' and nephews' wants are out and they poop in the back yard and drink from the toilet, you have no business comparing your pets to their offspring.

Great gift ideas for cheapskates

Dear Dotti: For our parents' anniversary, we had all the children's friends and family to write letters recalling a special memory they had shared with the couple. The children put all of the letters into an album and presented it to our parents on their anniversary. They said they loved it even so much. I thought I'd share this wonderful idea with others. — Caring Daughter in Reno

Dear Caring Daughter: Yes, it's a lovely idea, especially if you're too cheap to go out and buy something nice.

Should I date a single, party, delightful English teacher and have fallen in love with the witty and darling American history teacher at the school where I work. He is a wonderful and sparkling guy and we share the same interests, except about English and history. I have been reluctant to ask him out because I don't know if the principal would allow us to see each other socially. Also, what would our students think about our dating? My decision rests with your opinion, Dotti. What should I do? — Wondering in Great Falls**

Dear Wondering: What do you want to date a teacher for? They make practically nothing. If you want to date a co-worker, check out the janitor. Those guys have pretty strong unions with great benefits. Otherwise, you'll wind up working the rest of your life.

Friends don't respect my award

Dear Dotti: I just got this great award from my friends at work, which is really strange since I haven't done anything significant in years. But now my friends are telling me that it wasn't an award. It was just a birthday present. They really hurt my feelings. How do I let them know how I feel? — Crushed in California

Dear Crushed: Reality check, Wacko. Awards are given based on merit. From what you've told me, it sounds like the only award you deserve is Idiot of the Year!

I'm plagued by ghastly nightmares about my friend's ex-wife

Dear Dotti: Four years ago, my husband, Sam, passed away, leaving me a widow. A year later, Sam's sister, Sarah, passed away, leaving her husband, Frank, a widower.

Frank and I were always good friends, and now enjoy an intimate, compatible friendship. It's not that unusual, because, according to Jewish tradition, a surviving brother-in-law cares for the surviving sister-in-law. My problem: In many of my anguished dreams, Frank's wife appears, reclaiming her relationship with Frank. She asks me what I'm doing in Frank's bed. Frank's wife wants what was once hers. We argue back and forth and over and over. And in the dream, she takes him back! Can you tell me why? — Dreaming Widow in Wichita

Dear Widow: What are you, Fiddler on the Bed? It's a dream, for God's sake! Unless you have some

WET 'N WILD ONCE is never enough, so we're treating you to another look at Page 3 the Wacky Chronicles. There's

CARTOON SALON DESIGN LTD/SUP

Wacko's startling [illegible] [illegible]

Space aliens signed me over to the moon

... and I have the contract to prove it!'

ALBANY, N.Y. — When entrepreneur Gregory Stanford was abducted by aliens, he didn't panic and beg his space-traveling captors for release. Instead, he used his business savvy to strike a deal with his extraterrestrial kidnappers, ending up with a deed to the moon!

According to Stanford, he awoke one evening to find himself strapped to an examination table aboard a flying saucer. To his left, a small, hairless being was about to inject him with a strange needle-like instrument.

Thinking quickly, the 43-year-old businessman used his sales expertise to gain the trust of the E.T., and then negotiated an intergalactic trade in which he would receive all rights to the moon. When asked what he gave his captors in exchange, Stanford pleads the fifth.

"According to the terms of the contract, I cannot disclose that information," says a tight-lipped Stanford.

Stanford claims the [illegible] to [illegible] document, which is written in a language not known on Earth, entitles him to, ownership of the moon and all materials within a 100-mile radius of the orb's surface.

In return, Stanford reveals that he showed his captors video clips, television films or printed material bearing the likeness of his property or songs using the word "moon" in their titles, including the songs "Blue Moon," "Fly Me to the Moon," and popular songs like "Moon River."

"Unbelievable," says one legal expert.

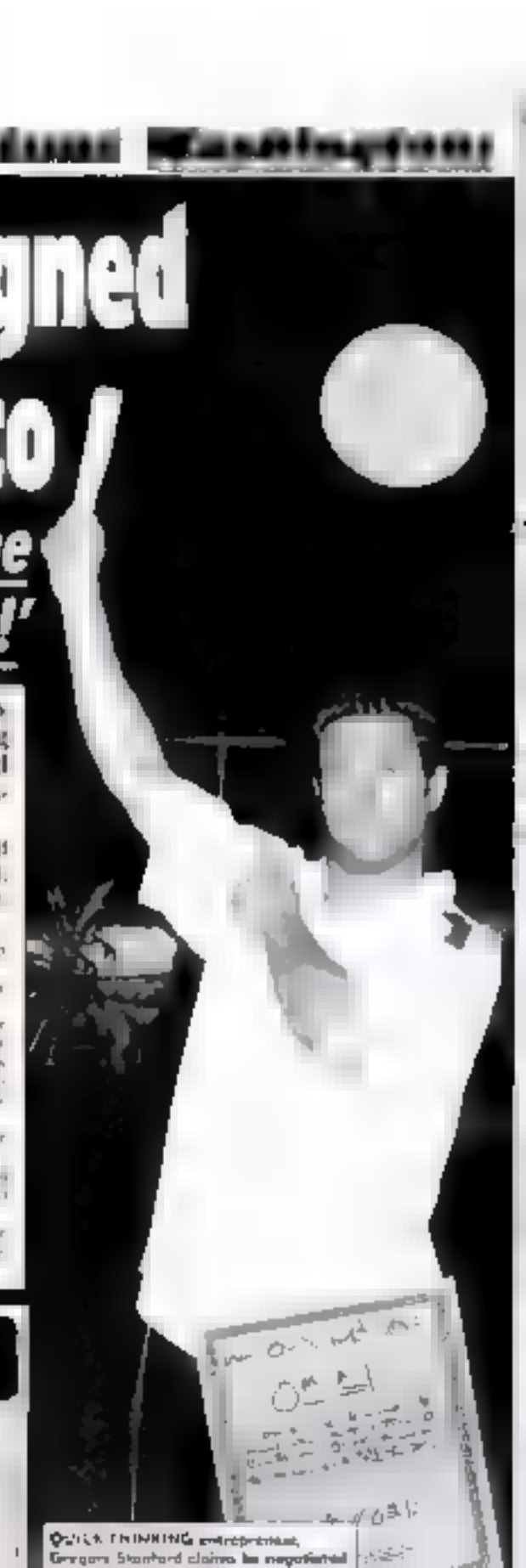
"First of all, no one here on Earth can even read the contract. And we really have no way of knowing that these aliens actually owned the moon."

Such criticism does not bother Stanford.

"Proper compensation for their land," says the proud entrepreneur.

"As soon as they pay me whenever they sing [illegible] Moon.'"

By MIKE MORSE
Weekly World News



QUICK THINKING entrepreneur Gregory Stanford claims he negotiated

NEW JET AIRLINER TO TRAVEL AT 5,000 MILES PER HOUR!

QUEENSLAND, Australia — Scientists have created a commercial jet that can streak through the sky at a mind-boggling 5,000 m.p.h. — fast enough to make it from New York City to Los Angeles and back in under one hour!

The hypersonic "scramjet," as it's known, travels [illegible] international flight that now takes a butt-numbing 24 hours by a quick-as-a-flash two hours.

[illegible] jet which mixes oxygen [illegible] burns hydrogen, was tested over the Australian desert in an experimental flight overseen by scientists at Queensland University.

"We had a successful [illegible] less than half an hour.

The blazing-fast jet

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Do you think you have what it takes to be 'Miss Weekly World News 2003'?

Miss WWN 2002, 21-year-old Katey Murphy is a Theatre major at Valencia State University. Go Katey! 34-25-33 She enjoys acting, singing, dancing and modeling.

MISS WEEKLY WORLD NEWS 2002
Katey Murphy

Here come the judges!

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BOCA RATON, Fla. — Do you have what it takes to be the next *Miss Weekly World News*? Last year's winner, Katey Murphy is ready to hand over her crown to her successor. And this year, we're opening up the competition to women everywhere!

If you're a natural beauty send us a bikini photo of yourself as you lounge poolside and write us a few lines about yourself. Tell us your hobbies, your measurements, your likes and your dislikes. Be sure to put on your name, address and phone number on the back of your photo.

The winner gets a seven-page spread in Weekly World News plus a year's subscription, and the runner-up will receive a six-month subscription.

All entries must be postmarked no later than Nov. 15, 2002. The contest is open to women of all ages, shapes and sizes. Employees of Weekly World News and their immediate families are not eligible to enter.

Our panel of judges will be looking for a woman who is beautiful, sexy and has a great personality. We're all dated beyond recognition and totally shallow, so don't get your hopes up.

There's no doubt about it. When it comes to beautiful women, these heartbreakers know what they're talking about!

Our new female will be chosen from thousands of entries to represent Weekly World News, so send your photo in today!

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Hey, gals! Feel less pain by sniffing vanilla, say researchers

TORONTO, Canada — Canadian researchers have discovered that pleasant smells, such as vanilla or flowers, actually make women feel less pain. They asked men to sniff a bottle filled with [illegible] while real doctors like stronger aromas to make the pain slightly worse.

New Scientist magazine reports that it's possible smells could alter the brain process of touch, pain and temperature information. It's

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Navy shot down TWA Flight

CIA started the crack epidemic!

Roosevelt engineered Pearl Harbor attack!

Was Lawrence Welk murdered?

W[illegible] Elvis' twin [illegible] still alive? Is the [illegible] really flat aft[illegible]?

Answers to those [illegible] many can be found in this *Weekly World News* conspiracy special.

[illegible] of reporters and researche[illegible] have dug into the *WWN* archives and delved into the darkest corners of the conspiracy-but[illegible]t to pr[illegible]e you with a roundup of the world [illegible]-blowing conspiracy theories.

Some may sound so way-out you'll [illegible] like a hyena. Others are so bone-chilling you'll have to sleep with the [illegible] you can sleep at all.

The theories outlined here do not necessarily reflect the views of WWN. While some are the result of decades of meticulous research by established experts, others are the strange workings of paranoid wackjobs at the outer fringes of sanity.

But be wary of dismissing even the silliest conspiracy theories out of hand. Because in many cases, we may never know the real truth.

SOME-SAY-OSAMA

(We say they're crazy!)

Weekly World News

OSAMA Bin Laden [illegible] innocent "patsy" who was framed for the 9-11 terrorist attacks by the Bush administration — the same crowd who actually orchestrated the [illegible] strikes!

That's an outlandish theory that's been trotted out [illegible]

They claim [illegible] creation of a phantom menace provided the perfect excuse the government needed to impose a police state here in America.

"It's the oldest trick in the book, dating back to Roman times — creating the enemies you need," argues conspiracy theorist Michael Rivero in a striking article called *Pipe Terror — The Road to Dictatorship.*

"It's not just anything-things kooks who question the official version of what happened on September 11 to a Nobel-prize-winning German Minister of Technology believes was Bushco also used to manufacture a U.S. emergency.

Most skeptics to that the supposed hijackers "left trails behind them like a band of marauding elephants," he argues.

"They made payments with credit cards with their own names, they reported to their flight instructors with their own names. They left behind rental cars with flight manuals in [illegible] the jumbo jets."

He suspects the American government used technical wizardry to commandeer the jets' automatic pilots and seat the planes to their doom.

Conspiracy theorists Richard Hughes also fingers Bush for [illegible] II.

"It is the latest and most dramatic attempt to move the world toward a state of fear, so that the benefits of people who control the globe can spend our their agenda for total control of the masses," he writes.

"If you don't believe me, watch how they are trying to set us up for the introduction of a global system of identification."

Here's some of the evidence cited by the theorists and others:

● Families demanding Bin Laden stand on TV minutes after the jets crashed, suggesting he was picked as the evil guy before the attack.

● Bin Laden is incapable of surrounding such a complex strike from Afghanistan, one of the most backward countries on Earth.

● It's a bit too convenient that a video on how to fly a boeing and a copy of the Koran was left in a car in a hijacker and found by law-en-

DID CIA START THE CRACK EPIDEMIC?

THE CRACK epidemic that has devastated America's inner cities was spawned by the CIA — which used the drug trade to help fund shady activities such as the Contra war in Nicaragua, conspiracy theorists claim.

While most Americans can't conceive of our own intelligence officials stooping to drug dealing, researchers say the CIA got our nation hooked.

An eye-opening book entitled *Defrauding America*, by former FAA investigator Rodney Stich, provides damning support for the charges.

"Questioning whether the CIA would engage in drug trafficking is like asking pilots, 'Will planes really fly?' Yes, planes actually fly, and yes, the CIA has been smuggling drugs into the United States," he writes.

In the explosive chapter titled "CIA and DEA Drug Trafficking," Stich includes personal accounts by CIA and DEA personnel who took part in the Black operation, as well as documents he made as a federal investigator.

One agent named in the book reveals that the notorious, all-powerful Colombian drug cartels were actually organized by the CIA.

"[The agent] told how the CIA set up the meetings in which various Colombian drug dealers organized into a drug trafficking cartel," writes Stich.

"He stated that the first meeting occurred with 20 of the biggest cocaine dealers in Colombia present, that the second and final meeting was held at the Hotel Intercontinental in Medellin attended by about 200 drug dealers. The Medellin Cartel was established in December 1981. Each of these members paid an initial $18,000 fee to fund a security force for the cartel members to protect their drug operations."

Stich writes that far from conducting a real war on drugs, top law enforcement officials including the Attorney General played a key role in smuggling crack into America. The scheme allegedly involved the cooperation of the military and the Reagan-Bush White House.

Bill Clinton, while Governor of Arkansas, was knee-deep in the conspiracy too, the author claims.

White Stich: "Mena, Ark., was a key CIA trans-shipment point for cocaine coming into the United States on return flights from Central America delivering guns to kill people in Nicaragua."

WAS FRAMED FOR 9-11

governmental agencies within hours of the disaster — in a crowded airport parking lot.

● The White House, an obvious target, was suspiciously spared.

● A "fanatical Muslim" would never take a copy of his holy book, the Koran, in a bar and leave it behind when he left. Nor would he spend an evening drinking and enjoying lap dances. After months of planning secrecy, he certainly wouldn't brag about the "takeover" to take place the next day.

Weekly World News has found no information to corroborate this latest "conspiracy theory," and hopes that Bin Laden gets his just deserts.

OSAMA Bin Laden is shown horseback riding in inset photo over a picture of the World Trade Center disaster. Some folks actually believe he's innocent of the attack.

THE NO. 11

Are the following facts merely numerological coincidences? You be the judge.

- September 11 has 9 letters and 2 numbers: 9+2=11.
- 911 is the telephone number for emergencies in North America.
- September 11th is the 254th day of the year: 2 + 5 + 4 = 11
- After September 11th there are
- was American Airlines Flight 11
- Flight AA11 had 92 people on board: 9 + 2 = 11.
- Flight 11 had 11 crew members.
- New York City: 11 letters.
- The state of New York was the 11th state added to the Union.

KURT COBAIN — SUICIDE OR MURDER?

Conspiracy buffs say he was killed!

IN HAPPIER DAYS: Rocker Kurt Cobain.

SEATTLE — Millions [illegible] were [illegible]ken at the death of grunge-rock pioneer Kurt Cobain, founder of the hugely popular band Nirvana. But their sadness soon turned to outrage and anger, in the face of mounting evidence that their idol was actually murdered.

Suspicion points to many likely killers: Drug dealers, enemies in the music industry, even friends of the eloquent musician-songwriter who became the angry voice of a generation.

"A conspiracy resulted in the murder of Kurt Cobain," declares private detective Tom Grant, who has become the nation's top expert on the tragic death of the 27-year-old musician and songwriter.

After years of digging through documents and interviewing people who knew and worked with Cobain, Grant is determined to get stubborn Seattle cops to reopen the case.

"They need to answer a lot of questions," he told High Times magazine, one of many media outlets — including the hit NBC series Unsolved Mysteries — to examine the Cobain case.

Cobain's body was found in a greenhouse room over the garage of his Seattle home on April 8, 1994. Here are just some of the strange circumstances that have many people believe Cobain didn't kill himself, but was murdered:

with a shotgun blast into his mouth. The coroner ruled that according to Grant, his body was found with only a trickle of blood from his nose and with his legs neatly crossed — impossible even for a self-inflicted shotgun blast.

Because any Cobain, a well known drug abuser, had injected himself with a massive dose of heroin just before he died — a dose so massive, it would have rendered him unconscious and unable to shoot himself.

Yet, "suicide note" didn't say anything about killing himself. Grant and other fans, the homeless suicide had written a rough version of an announcement that he was quitting the music business.

The 20-page document allegedly said in the death had been premeditated a few weeks before Cobain died.

The gun recovered was found in the dead Cobain's [illegible] pocket — an odd thing to carry for a dead, but just the thing for someone trying to make murder look like suicide.

Grant says Cobain bought the shotgun with just [illegible] because he was nervous about his safety.

He had reasons to be.

Cobain had just dropped out of the Lollapalooza tour, a major alternative rock concert that could have paid him $1.5 million as the headliner.

One witness said that Cobain was [illegible] owner from a Hollywood musician who told Grant that someone close to Cobain offered him $50,000 to "blow his head off."

The musician refused the request — and says it was the first thing he thought of when he heard the news that Cobain was dead.

DRAMATIC photo of Nirvana founder Kurt Cobain's lifeless body rocked the music world — and just

By CLIFF
Weekly World News

Was Lawrence Welk murdered?

Champagne music made him a target of anti-liquor terrorists!

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — Beloved bandleader Lawrence Welk was murdered by wild-eyed anti-alcohol fanatics who were convinced his "champagne music" was encouraging young people to drink, claims a former band member.

"It's ironic that a man who was deeply committed to the nation's young and determined to provide them with clean, wholesome entertainment, should be targeted for assassination by a bunch of wacko zealots," the ex band member confided to a fan magazine, *Champagne Dreams*.

The musician, who was admittedly frightened that he might be targeted for speaking out, agreed to the interview with the California-based magazine only after he was assured of complete anonymity.

The hit was believed to have been carried out by a group called MOB — Mothers Opposed to Booze — a shadowy organization of modern-day Carrie Nations who are dedicated to overturning national prohibition laws and promoting prune juice as the new drink of choice at cocktail parties and other social occasions.

When Welk, 86, died at his home in Santa Monica, Calif., on Sunday night, May 17, 1992, pneumonia was officially cited as the cause of death.

But his longtime colleagues and private investigators maintained that a MOB member had slipped a slow-acting poison into his champagne months earlier that led to a slow, lingering death.

"Anyone who gets in MOB's way is ruthlessly eliminated," he said.

The musician told the reporter, "Poor Lawrence was planning a concert tour of Berkeley and other major college campuses when he was snuffed out."

SOME called Lawrence Welk's tunes wholesome entertainment. Some called it Dull music.

BANDLEADER Lawrence Welk is shown here playing an accordion, an instrument that was so hot in the

CELEB MOB HITS?

Lawrence Welk may not have been the only victim of the ruthless MOB (Mothers Opposed to Booze). Below are some other celebs who are rumored to have been rubbed out by the MOB for their widely known drinking habits.

ANDY GIBB
Many think Andy was one of the first to stand in the way of the MOB.

DANA PLATO died in 1999 of an alleged suicide — many think it's not true

RIVER PHOENIX
The actor died of an overdose in 1993 but only

CHRIS FARLEY
The drinking bought with heavy on celeb

ELVIS' TWIN STILL

. . . and he's working as ...

ELVIS Presley is "deader than a doornail," say conspiracy-mongers, who claim that people who think they see Elvis are actually seeing his twin.

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

ELVIS is dead — but his identical twin brother is alive! Contrary to the contentions of the Presley family, the rock legend's twin did not die at birth, but lived to adulthood and often performed in The King's place when the real Elvis was too tired, nervous or bored to take the stage.

What's more, Elvis' twin Jesse survived the death of [illegible] 1977 — exploding countless baffling "Elvis sightings" around the nation.

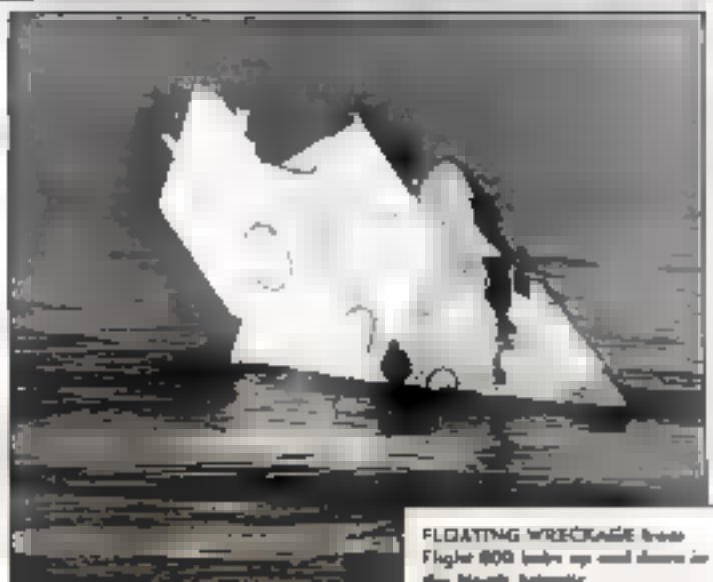
That's the mind-bending assertion of London parapsychologist and researcher Brian Desling, who's spent the past decade probing the Elvis-is-alive myth.

"Almost certainly, people have been seeing 'The King's twin,' " he declares.

According to official press bits, Elvis' twin brother Jessie Garon was stillborn when the two came into the world on Tupelo Miss. on Jan. 8, 1935. But Desling says interviews with relatives and former neighbors revealed the truth.

"Both parents, Vernon and Gladys were [illegible] but proud

NAVY SNAFU SHOT



FLOATING WRECKAGE from Flight 800 [illegible]

By GEORGE SANFORD [illegible]

WHEN TWA Flight 800 mysteriously explod- [illegible] off the coast of Long Island on July 17, 1996, killing [illegible] 230 on board, rumors swiftly surfaced that the jumbo jet had been accidentally shot down by a stray missile fired by the U.S. military.

Rumors of a government cover up peaked the following March when legendary journalist Pierre Salinger went public with the dramatic charge that a U.S. Navy missile had downed the 747 — [illegible]ing a [illegible] 69-page report and a set [illegible] damning radar images to bolster [illegible] case.

"We have now reached the point where we are totally sure what we are saying is true," Salinger, a former ABC News

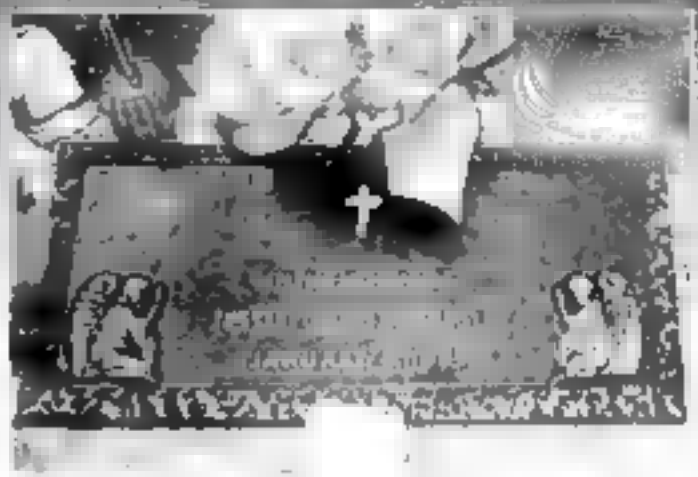
declared at a dramatic news conference.

The radar images showed a blip identified as Flight 800 — and a second blip streaking towards it that appeared to be the lethal missile.

"The tape-completely confirms a missile fired down TWA flight," Salinger said.

BROTHER IS ALIVE

...an Elvis impersonator!



PLAQUE marks the alleged resting place of Elvis' twin brother Jessie Presley

Southerners," he explains. "They weren't expecting twin boys and couldn't afford to raise both so they sent baby Jessie to live with relatives. This was a source of great embarrassment and they made everyone in the family — including the boys — sworn to a stack of Bibles never ever, to tell anyone."

Elvis and Jessie finally met when Jessie was working as a bus boy at a L.A. restaurant. Elvis was astounded by Jessie's resemblance to him, he invited Jessie to join him for dinner. The two started swapping notes and found Elvis came from the same family Jessie's adopted parents confirmed the truth, that the boys were in fact, brothers.

From then on, Jessie became the brother's secret ally.

"Elvis suffered bouts of stage fright and Jessie filled in for him at his times, including his first performance on The Ed Sullivan Show, and the famous '68 comeback special," recalls Darling.

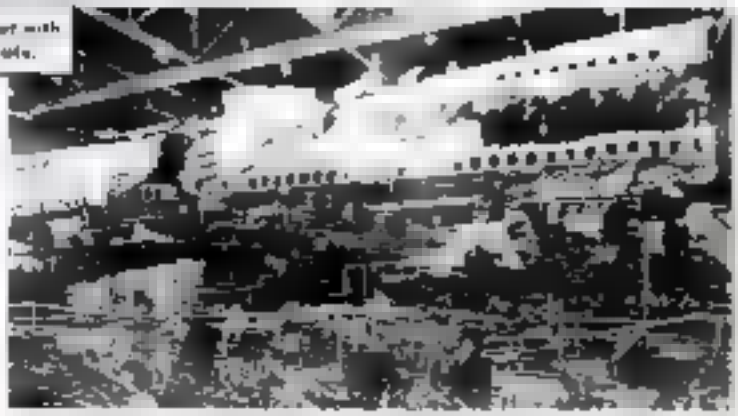
Elvis hated acting and thought the plots of his movies were stupid, so Jessie also stepped in for several of his film [illegible] including [illegible] in 1965 and 1967's [illegible]. And the two actually worked together in Blazing Saddles, in which Elvis had a dual role as both sides of twins.

After Elvis' untimely death, Jessie was forced to go underground.

Says the expert, ironically, he also "also adopted a daughter that would allow his paternity concern Elvis to get stimulated and let him continue to use his true surname. My belief is that he's not there working as an Elvis impersonator."

DOWN FLIGHT 800

EXPERTS reassembled the destroyed jet with parts picked up from the ocean crash site.



thinking it zapped secret U.S. Navy experiment. It was meant to blow a Tomahawk missile out of the sky but hit Flight 800 instead when it lost its lock on its original target."

Sallinger's explosive report also revealed that witnesses inundating the controller reportedly heard a frantic radio voice exclaim, "Oh, my God, I just hit that plane."

Sallinger claimed he spoke with the father of a sailor who served on the ship conducting the missile test, whose son told him, "Dad, we shot it down."

If all this wasn't proof enough, two Russian spy satellites on orbit over the site of the disaster produced radar images showing a missile hitting the jet, according to the report. Sallinger revealed that witnesses at a nearby airport had heard and filmed evidence of military missiles shooting down or barely missing civilian planes. He said there had been 44 such close calls since 1978 — resulting in 26 plane wrecks [illegible] Sallinger's accusations of a missile strike. Flight 800 and he later backpedaled from his eyewitness charges.

However, to this day, the government

WEIRD NEWS OF THE WORLD

DID PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT PLOT THE PEARL HARBOR SNEAK ATTACK?

PLOTS, COVER-UPS & CONSPIRACIES

WASHINGTON — Japan's devastating [redacted] attack on Pearl Harbor was deliberately engineered by our President Franklin D. Roosevelt to force the United States [redacted] a [redacted] Americans didn't want.

And the unsuspecting senior military commanders in Hawaii were set up as the fall guys to take [illegible] blame for the appalling [illegible]cle that claimed the lives of 2,403 sailors, soldiers, [redacted]nes and civilians.

PRESIDENT Roosevelt found a way to help pals Winston Churchill, left, and Joseph Stalin, right.

Those are some of the shocking disclosures stemming from new evidence accumulated for a lawsuit on behalf of World War II Japanese prison camp survivors and their descendants.

They claim the U.S. government deliberately sacrificed them as part of a ruthless scheme to provide an excuse for dragging America into World War II.

"By provoking the attack, Roosevelt accepted the terrible truth that America's military forces — including the Pacific Fleet and the civilian population in the Pacific — would sit squarely in harm's way, exposed to enormous risks," Robert B. Stinnett writes in his well-documented book, *Day of Deceit: The Truth about FDR and Pearl Harbor*.

The former World War II Navy lieutenant inspected 200,000 documents, and conducted scores of interviews while reaching his conclusion that the United States had broken Japanese military and diplomatic codes, and Roosevelt used that advantage to help manipulate the Japanese into launching the attack.

Adm. Husband E. [redacted] and Army Lt. Gen. Walter Short were de-

[illegible] information [illegible] the impending attack were decoded at [redacted] centers on the island of Oahu only a few miles from Pearl Harbor.

Many countries, including Britain, Korea, Peru and Russia warned Washington of the Japanese plans for a surprise attack.

But that information also was never passed on to any of the commanders in Hawaii.

Incredibly, despite eight official hearings called to uncover the truth behind the stunning disaster, the cover-up continued for more than 50 years before documents made available under the Freedom of Information Act confirmed the accusations of critics claiming prior knowledge of the attack by FDR.

After years of extensive research, a memo written on October 7, 1940 by Lt. Cmdr. Arthur McCollum of Naval Intelligence provided Stinnett with the smoking gun that enabled him to unravel the mystery.

The memo proposed an eight-point plan, including a crippling oil embargo and freezing of Japanese assets in the United States, that was aimed at provoking an attack on the Pacific Fleet in Hawaii or on U.S. Army and Navy forces in the Philippines.

To ensure the scheme's success, Stinnett wrote, Washington made sure that [illegible]

[illegible] reconnaissance patrols that could have provided warnings of the approaching enemy fleet.

As early as September 1944, *The Chicago Tribune* reported on a booklet authored by John T. Flynn. The

continuing to keep the Pacific [illegible] the [illegible] in Pearl Harbor.

The [redacted] commander also [redacted] strongly objecting to FDR's baffling order to keep the re-

By CLIFF LINEDECKER / Weekly World News

EXPLOSIONS from Japanese bombs changed America forever back on December 6, 1941.

AUTHOR Robert B. Stinnett's full-length book presents new evidence that FDR did explode the attack which on Pearl Harbor to occur

Conspiracy nuts say 'YES!'

secure West Coast. Other documents uncovered by investigators show that Roosevelt was determined to join his friends, Great Britain's Winston Churchill and Russia's Communist

American people [illegible] involved in another European war.

During FDR's election campaign he had promised American mothers that he would not send their sons off to

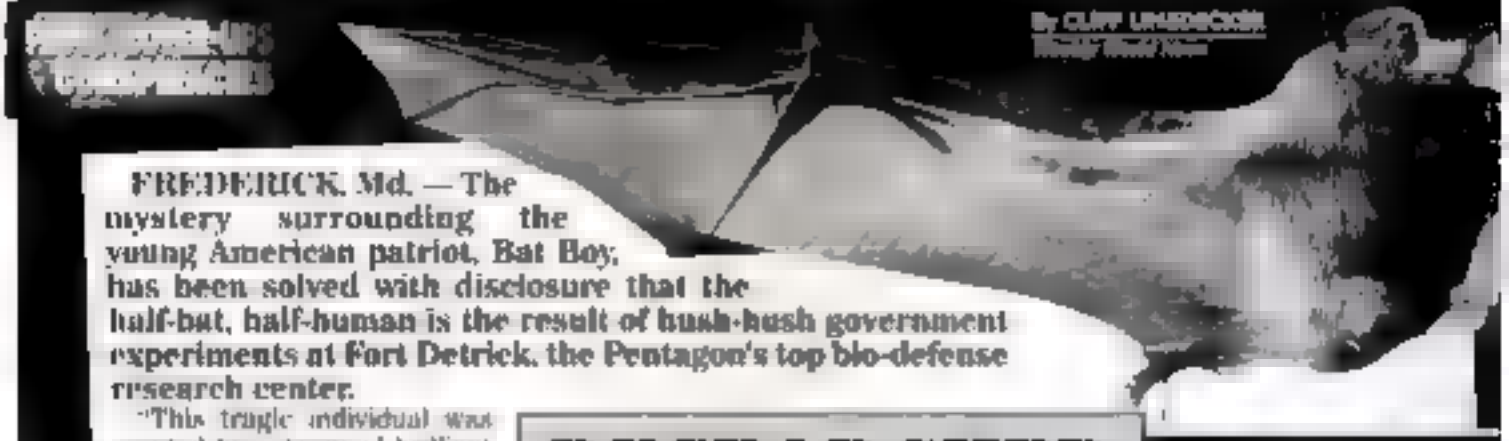
the Japanese would attack, however, that the act would result in a declaration of war against the United States by Germany and Italy, and many Americans against the Axis na-

secretary of the Navy was reported to willingly sacrifice a few outdated wooden deck battleships while Pearl Harbor was bombed.

The crafty President protected

WAS BAT BOY CREATED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT?

By CLIFF UNBECKOM



FREDERICK, Md. — The mystery surrounding the young American patriot, Bat Boy, has been solved with disclosure that the half-bat, half-human is the result of hush-hush government experiments at Fort Detrick, the Pentagon's top bio-defense research center.

"This tragic individual was created by a team of brilliant but ethically impaired geneticists working in a secure underground area before he escaped in 1992," according to Dr. Ernesto Paz Chandhuri.

The Guyana zoologist, in research on article about Bat Boy for the Christchurch Journal and recently linked with a cable reporter team, has offices in Georgetown.

Although Chandhuri complained of repeated roadblocks from U.S. government sources and of receiving unexplained threats, since he began tracing the young outcast's genesis, he said he is "99 per cent convinced" that scientists created Bat Boy by combining the DNA of a Guyana fruit bat and a human.

The experiments were apparently commissioned by a rogue unit of the CIA and by Defense Department operatives in an effort to develop uniquely skilled night fighters to work with the military's elite Delta Force, Seals and Special Forces on special missions.

RESEARCHER SAYS 'YES!'

Dr. Chandhuri

Since a zoologist discovered the frightened fugitive hanging upside down inside a West Virginia cave, Bat Boy has been the subject of a "truth" campaign by an outraged Congress and hunted like an animal.

Yet he has shown amazing resilience and patriotism by patrolling with the Marines a few days after the 9-11 terror attacks.

Although the Pentagon and the Marine Corps have declined even to acknowledge that Bat Boy exists, he is now acting as morale officer and a worldwide search is being launched by the [illegible]

AMAZING BAT FACTS

BY

TOP SECRET

'PHILADELPHIA EXPERIMENT' WENT WRONG

Navy beamed ship hundreds of miles — in seconds!

U.S.S. Eldridge, above, was transported hundreds of miles in seconds in 1943

ALBERT Einstein's Unified Field Theory was present in the bizarre experiment

By MICHAEL FORSYTH

In a top secret 1943 experiment to make American warships invisible to the enemy, the U.S.S. Eldridge was inadvertently catapulted through space and time — vanishing from a port in Philadelphia, Pa., and reappearing just seconds later hundreds of miles away in Norfolk, Va.

That is the astonishing claim of conspiracy experts, who cite accounts from scores of awestruck eyewitnesses — including dock workers who swear they saw the destroyer disappear — and the crew of a ship who cheered at Norfolk when saw the Eldridge suddenly materialize out of nowhere.

Horribly, the crew of the Eldridge didn't make the round trip journey through the twilight zone intact. Some sailors reportedly came back insane, others vanished into oblivion — and many died horribly, others were found

[illegible] the operation, officially dubbed Project Rainbow, and nicknamed the Philadelphia Experiment.

The Navy firmly denies that it sent the ship hurtling through space time, but does acknowledge the vessel was involved in a secret experiment.

According to the official version, the goal was to render the ship "invisible" to underwater magnetic mines. However, some researchers maintain that the Navy's goal was far more ambitious: To actually make a ship invisible to the human eye.

Based on the theories of maverick scientist Dr. Nikola Tesla, the project reportedly was guided by top physicists including Albert Einstein.

Theoretically, by bending light around an object, you can make it so [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Have you ever heard

SECRET SOCIETY SEEKS

LONDON — A select group of 120 of the richest and most powerful people in high society are working quietly behind the scenes to put their puppet politicians in power so they can control the world!

Among the top government figures suspected of having associated with the subversive agenda in the past are Bill Clinton, Gerald Ford, David Rockefeller, England's Prince Charles and former World War II German SS officer Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands.

The Bilderbergers are the latest incarnation of the shadowy movement which has actively manipulated mankind for nearly two centuries and works closely with the Council on Foreign Relations and the Trilateral Commission to establish their new world order, according to experts.

Political assassinations, wars and manipulation of elections to select national leaders of their choice have all been traced to a worldwide conspiracy going back to the Illuminati, a human-sacrifice British MI6 operative revealed.

Known in the elite, Agent Allan, the investigator said in an interview carried by the Internet magazine, "The Bilderbergers Illuminati Conspiracy," that establishment of the Bilderbergs Crusade has already put the powerful One Worlders well on their way to accomplishing their goal of global domination.

"The United States is the next target for takeover and rule by the hand-

Nazi army

GERMANY'S mighty armies terrorized the world during World War II, and some may be ready to do it again, says this top-sec

of the Bilderbergers?

TO RULE THE WORLD!

picked puppets of the Bilderbergers," he warned.

Arrogantly, they plot the subversion and silent takeover of constitutional governments everywhere.

Their goal is a World Government run exclusively by their hand [redacted] puppets.

The shocking 1978 slaying of Bulgarian political dissident Georgi Markov was a Bilderberger operation, according to Agent Allen. He was injected with a pin-sized pellet of the deadly toxin, ricin, by an assassin who stabbed him with the point of an umbrella on a London street.

Perhaps even more disturbing, [redacted] has [redacted] indicating that Deputy White House Counsel and former Hillary Clinton law partner, Vincent Foster, was also killed by Bilderberger assassins who then made a clumsy attempt to disguise his death as a suicide.

Bill Clinton

David Rockefeller

Gerald Ford

Prince Charles

Shrewd and calculating, the hearts of the Bilderbergers [redacted] with lust for power and controlled by greed for money, Allen said.

Rich and aristocratic, they [redacted] Christians and they loathe the [redacted] working class.

They control the world's press and virtually all American banks and financial institutions.

They [redacted] America's [redacted] run on the [redacted] and Republican [redacted] tickets.

It was shortly after attending the 1991 Bilderberger meeting that Arkansas [redacted] Bill Clinton was selected to be the next [redacted]

the United States. Clinton and White House adviser Vernon Jordan's relationship goes back to his Bilderberger connections.

Its elitist [redacted] has allegedly included Henry Kissinger, Lloyd Bentsen, Helmut Kohl, Alice Rivlin, England's Prince Charles and Spain's Prince Juan.

lies frozen in Antarctic ice!

By MICHAEL FORSYTH
Weekly World News

Tens of thousands of crack SS troops lie under the Antarctic ice, frozen in suspended animation by Nazi madman Adolf Hitler — waiting to be revived so they can launch a sinister Fourth Reich and take over the world!

That's what's known as the "Frozen Dead Theory" and versions of it have been kicking around the conspiracy-buff community since the end of World War II.

While it may sound outlandish, researchers point to several curious facts that seem to support the chilling supertroopers-in-limbo theory.

● The Nazis conducted early experiments in cryonics in the concentration camps, subjecting helpless prisoners to [redacted] and sent several scientific expeditions to the frigid seventh continent between 1937 and 1938. Oddly enough, the teams included speleologists — experts who locate and explore underground caves.

● The Germans mapped the continent more extensively than anyone has before or since — actually renaming the vast region of Queen Maude Land as "Neuschwabenland" and claiming it for the Third Reich.

[redacted] War II, Hitler mysteriously diverted men, [redacted] and [redacted] to the Antarctic.

HITLER

found — suggesting they built an enormous facility underground.

[redacted] the end of the war, German U-boats were frequently tracked on [redacted] that would only take them to the isolated rumbowet.

● At least 200,000 German troops from World War II remain suspiciously unaccounted for.

Officially, they are listed as "missing in action."

● Alone among all the continents, Antarctica remains unsettled.

One possible explanation is that after the war, the United States, Russia and Britain signed a secret [redacted] pact to try to colonize the snow-enshrouded wasteland — fearful of [redacted]

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS

WHO REALLY

WHO really assassinated John F. Kennedy? The solution to that riddle is the Holy Grail of conspiracy theories. We may never know the answer, but it's fun to try to solve the most baffling murder mystery of our time.

By VICKIE YORK
Weekly World News

In this exclusive *Weekly World News* recap, we're giving readers the top five suspects who many feel are responsible for the crime of the century.

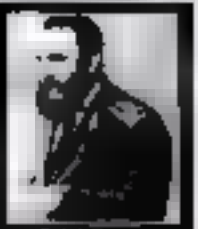
Review the incriminating evidence on this page, then, turn over to [illegible]

THE CIA

This theory holds that a CIA faction put the hit on JFK, furious that he let Cuba slip into Communist hands and to prevent the same thing from happening to Vietnam. They were also irked off by the way JFK ordered in the aftermath of the Bay of Pigs fiasco — dealing with CIA director Allen Dulles. The agency, adept at carrying out political assassinations overseas, would have been well equipped not only to rub out JFK but to destroy evidence and dominate witnesses. Intriguingly, former CIA finance officer James Wilcott testified to the House Select Committee on Assassinations in 1977 that Lee Harvey Oswald was on the CIA payroll while stationed in Japan as a Marine.

FIDEL CASTRO

Believers contend that the ruthless Communist dictator had Kennedy murdered in revenge for countless attempts on his own life by CIA operatives. The Bay of Pigs invasion might have helped convince Castro that he had little option but to strike back — and taking the bold step of murdering America's President was his only chance for survival.



Fidel Castro

THE KGB

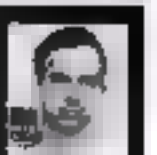
A year before the assassination, JFK humiliated the Soviets in the Cuban Missile Crisis and they had plenty of motive to want him dead. And remember, Oswald spent two years in Russia and married a K.G.B. colonel's niece before returning to the U.S. as an unknown minion. Some conspiracy buffs say JFK's successor President Johnson learned Soviets were behind the shooting but ordered a heavy cover up — believing that if the truth came out, an enraged U.S. public would call for World War III.

THE MAFIA

Sam Giancana

At the request of family patriarch Joe Kennedy, the Mafia used its strings to help JFK win the nail-biting close 1960 election — with the understanding that once in office, JFK would go easy on the Mob. Instead, Kennedy and his Attorney General brother, Robert went after the Mafia with a vengeance. To strike back, according to many experts, including the brother of informant mobster Sam Giancana, Carn Nestor Johnny changed JFK. And Jack Ruby, a Dallas underworld owner with underworld ties, helped cover up the conspiracy by bumping off Oswald.

LONE NUT



Many [illegible] conspiracy experts like Gerald Posner insist the Warren Commission got it right the first time: Lee Harvey Oswald was simply a [illegible] [illegible] acting alone. They point out that

KILLED JFK?

By CLIFF LINEDECKER

PRINCESS DIANA WAS MURDERED

PRINCESS Diana and her sweetheart were murdered — and the United States may have had a supporting [redacted] plot!

Top international investigators have uncovered shocking evidence indicating the dream couple was assassinated because Diana was pregnant with her lover's child, and the Royal family was worried the couple would marry, making the dark-skinned Egyptian playboy the stepfather of the future king of England!

It is widely believed that the sinister scheme was conceived and carried out by rogue elements of England's super secret international intelligence agency, MI6, with or without the knowledge or active support of other royals, after a tip-off from American secret agents that the Princess was pregnant.

Dodi "Dodi" Fayed

Reports published in Britain have disclosed that U.S. agents regularly used a sophisticated satellite surveillance system monitored at a top secret National Security Agency base in the north of England to keep track of Diana's conversations and collect more than 1,000 secret documents relating to her activities. Details of the Princess' pregnancy and engagement plans were presumably passed on to British agents by the American spooks.

Numerous theories pointing to a carefully contrived ruse to eliminate the popular Princess and her handsome sweetheart Dodi "Dodi" Fayed, have circulated in Europe, the Middle East and America since their tragic deaths on Aug. 31, 1997, in a grinding car crash inside a Paris traffic tunnel.

Syndicated newspaper columnist Georgie Anne Geyer disclosed soon after the crash that stories were making the rounds that the couple were eliminated as part of a sinister racist plot reaching into the highest levels of the British bureaucracy.

"To understand the seriousness with which Diana's behavior could have been viewed by ultra-nationalists within the government or intelligence communities, just imagine the effect on the Church and State if Diana converted to Islam — and the two young Princes, William and Harry followed suit," a former British spook confidentially revealed to an investigative journalist.

A key witness supporting on a television documentary broadcast in England suggested a scenario for the assassination, featuring a James Bond type of murder plot by pointing out that a strong flash of light blinded an just ahead of the speeding Mercedes S-280 only moments before it smashed into one of the concrete pillars in the tunnel.

Instead of the previously suggested

MANY sources say that the Royal family was not pleased that Diana was dating an Egyptian.

flash from the camera of a pursuing paparazzi, investigators are said to now believe the sudden illumination could have been caused by a high-powered anti-personnel device used by MI6 or another clandestine government or military agency. The devices, known to be available to MI6, are capable of blinding a driver for several minutes.

One of the most troubling aspects of the tragedy that snuffed out the lives of the Princess and the playboy, along with chauffeur Henri Paul, is the location of a mystery car and driver seen speeding away from the scene after the crash.

Some investigators believe the mystery vehicle may have collided with or deliberately forced the Mercedes into the concrete

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MARILYN MONROE MURDERED — BY SPACE ALIENS!

By MICHAEL CHIRON / Weekly World News

SCREEN goddess Marilyn Monroe was murdered by space aliens because she knew too much about UFO activity on Earth — and the E.T.s staged her death scene to look like a suicide, startling new evidence shows!

As fantastic as that might sound, documents indicate that President John F. Kennedy collected a mountain of data about UFOs through a special top-secret task force.

And JFK agents say the notorious womanizer would probably have been unable to resist sharing such fascinating gossip as pillow talk with Marilyn while engaging in his steamy extramarital affair with the legendary sex symbol.

Some researchers believe the President may even have revealed the disruptively shocking truth to a trusted member of long-time lover about activity in Hollywood.

Anyone in a position to expose the E.T.s would be a threat to the aliens' interlopers. And now new proof has emerged that Marilyn was about to blow the whistle on them just prior to her mysterious death on Aug. 4, 1962.

According to an authenticated record of a CIA wiretap signed by Central Intelligence Agency chief James Angleton the day before Marilyn Monroe's tragic demise at age 36, she was planning to hold a press conference to spill the beans about crashed UFOs, alien bodies and other mind-blowing proof of extraterrestrials.

A copy of this locked document has just been released in a new book titled *Extraterrestrial Contact — The Evidence and Implications.*

by Dr. Thomas Green

If the CIA was wiretapping Marilyn, it's a safe bet that others were listening in on her too — and it is, when the lonely night of taking nights with her knowledge of the E.T.s, she signed her own death warrant.

According to the official findings, Marilyn died of a self-administered overdose of barbiturates.

But police surgeon Josh Greenson, the first officer to enter at her home, later called it "the most obviously staged death scene I have ever seen."

He noted: "The bath water in her tub and her legs were shaved and perfectly straight.

"The pill bottle on her bedside table had been wiped clean of her prints and the body deliberately positioned.

"It all looked too tidy."

Mounting evidence strongly suggests Marilyn was killed, and now some conspiracy buffs believe the CIA itself was close to someone who knew something the "real truth" about extraterrestrials.

In fact, space aliens themselves may have pulled off the murder.

Marilyn's close

Excerpts from Marilyn Monroe's pre-diary secret to indicate that the screen goddess was desperately seeking to make more than platonic relations

Mar 5, 1954

Dear Diary,

Today I had the fantasy again. I dreamed that I was brought aboard a to a beautiful ship

NASA FAKED APOLLO MOON LANDINGS!

Blockbuster book blows lid off another Nixon cover-up!

RACHEL, Nevada — Millions of gullible people had the wool pulled over their eyes when they sprawled in front of the tube more than 30 years ago and watched what they believed was the first man to walk on the moon.

But it was all part of a gigantic hoax by NASA and President Richard M. Nixon to make Americans believe the United States had soundly beaten the Soviet Union in the race to the moon and outer space, according to British authors David Percy and Mary Bennett in *Dark Moon. Apollo and the Whistle Blowers.* (Adventures Unlimited Press, London.)

Apollo 11 astronaut Neil Armstrong never walked the lunar surface, nor did any subsequent Apollo flight send a man on the moon, according to the meticulously documented study.

It was all part of a secret effort by the U. S. and the Soviet Union to cover up the real purpose of space exploration — to contact alien civilizations, the authors write.

Information revealed on American rocket scientist Wernher von Braun, both by government filmmakers in Hollywood and at the government's mysterious and closely guarded Operation Paperclip military base, Area 51 in the Nevada desert.

Kaysing, who was in his early 20s when he collaborated with the British writers, was employed at California's Propulsion Field Laboratory in the late 1950s and worked on the propulsion for Aerojet's Eagle engine which powered the Apollo lunar module.

Despite the Soviet scientists had determined moon walkers would need three lead suits to avoid fatal doses of radiation. So plans for a real landing were called off, the authors contend. And Armstrong along with fellow astronaut Buzz Aldrin were sent to an area near Quebec to film some phony moon walk sequences then moved to an intricate set at Area 51 for greater security.

"I'd love to believe that our astronauts were the first men to walk on the lunar surface," another investigator told a radio show host after reading the book and conducting his own research.

But, as books like the first real

NASA PICTURES GIVE EVIDENCE OF HOAX!

WHAT are the strange lights in the sky in this photo? Many believe they are unknown lights in the background of a studio.

THIS photo of Buzz Aldrin really was taken on the moon, Armstrong's visor and, then why can the glasses seen in the visor see above Aldrin?

THE cross hairs on this photograph appear to go behind the objects in the photograph. Does this suggest that the photograph is a faked "composite" image?

WHAT are the strange lights in the sky in this photo? Many believe they are unknown lights in the background of a studio.

THE EARTH REALLY IS FLAT!

'The entire space race was nothing but a charade' — Charles Johnson, International Flat Earth Research Society

By [redacted]

THE Earth is round — but it's as flat as a pancake!

LANCASTER, Calif. — American taxpayers have been ripped [redacted] a glittering king's ransom to pay for the space program, which was designed solely to convince them of a lie — that the world is round instead of flat.

"The entire space race was nothing but an expensive charade," according to the late Charles Kenneth Johnson, president of the International Flat Earth Research Society.

Johnson ripped the lid off the heart-rending conspiracy years ago but his Earth-shaking revelation was ridiculed and covered up by a shameful media that swallowed the official story — hook, line, and sinker.

Johnson declared that the dome of Heaven is about 6,000 miles away, the stars are about as distant as San Francisco is from Boston, and the world is as flat as a flapjack.

"Moses was a Gentleman, and many verses of the Old Testament imply that the Earth is flat," he told an interviewer for a Chicago weekly shortly before his death.

"Even George Washington, the father of our country, knew the truth [redacted] — it's a hoax."

THE FLAT-OUT TRUTH

The following are the [redacted]

LACTANTIUS

The earliest known Flat-Earth promoter was Lactantius (AD 245- 325), a pre-Medieval rhetorician from Africa.

He went against the teaching of the Greek philosophers at that time in saying that the Earth was flat.

He was labeled a heretic by the Catholic Church fathers and his teachings were ignored until the Renaissance when scholars reprinted his writings as a model of proper Latin — which sparked interest in his Flat-Earth teachings.

INDICOPLEUSTES

An Eastern Greek Christian living in the sixth century, Cosmas, Indicopleustes, claimed the Earth was flat and lay beneath a rectangular vaulted arch — which he called Heaven.

His teachings were unofficially supported by the church fathers at that [redacted]

JOHN WILLIAM [redacted] & [redacted] DICKSON [redacted]

These two 19th-century writers perpetuated the Flat-Earth theory and also credited the Roman Catholic church with promoting it.

Both men portrayed a [redacted] battle through the [redacted] between the defenders of ignorance and the enlightened intellectuals.

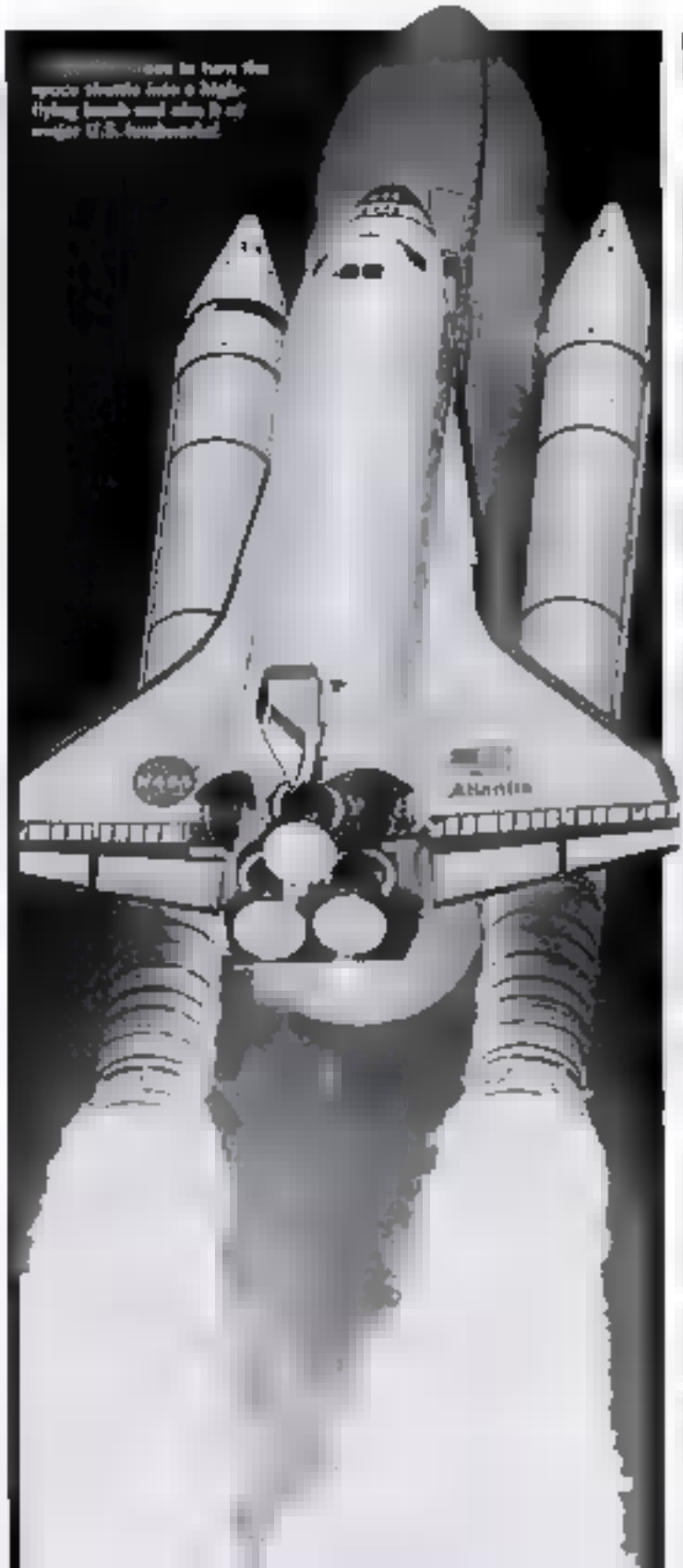
Charles Darwin was the most well-known evolutionist

EVOLUTIONISTS

The Flat-Earth theory vanished its push after Darwin formulated his theory of evolution.

Darwinists tried to discredit believers in a spherical Earth.

Historians say the Flat-Earth theories flourished between 1870 and 1920 over ideological struggles



TERRORIST PLOT TO HIJACK SPACE SHUTTLE

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

OSAMA has been eyeing the space shuttle for years

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Kill-crazy Al Qaeda operatives have reportedly hatched a monstrous new plot to cripple America's [redacted] — by hijacking a U.S. space shuttle and crashing it head-on into an as-yet-unidentified target!

[redacted]-tight security at the Cape [redacted] launch site and NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab [redacted] have been ratcheted up to the highest possible level of [redacted] — after a [redacted] Al Qaeda prisoner spilled the beans under grilling from CIA agents at Camp X-ray in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Launch details are now top secret, new background checks are being conducted on everyone from astronauts down to cleaning ladies and America's fleet of shuttles has been put under ultra-heavy armed guard.

"The shuttle is a hard target and this would be almost impossible to pull off, but Osama Bin Laden has his heart set on it," reveals a CIA source.

"He knows that most of the world thinks he's been rendered powerless by America's war on terror or that he's even dead. This would be his dramatic way of showing everyone he's alive and kicking and still in the terror business.

"The space program is the ultimate symbol of American know-how and can-do spirit and the space shuttle is that program's crown jewel. Many times more combustible than ordinary jet fuel and on lift-off, a shuttle is loaded to the max. If bin Laden aims it into a civilian target, the death toll will be unimaginable."

The short list of possible terror targets include the Statue of Liberty, Mount Rushmore and the famous Hollywood sign in Tinseltown, according to the Al Qaeda rat, whose name was withheld to protect him behind bars. "Hollywood is the source of your wicked movies, which have corrupted the morals of so many people around the world," the squealer reportedly told interrogators during his debriefing. "That is why it was high on the list."

Details of the Al Qaeda plot were a closely guarded secret at the

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS

By VICKIE YORK
Weekly World News

RUSSIANS PLOT TO BLOW UP THE MOON

Catastrophe would create brutal weather for U.S.!

RUSSIAN officials have secretly embarked on a bizarre plan to banish their country's harsh winters forever — by blowing up the moon with nukes!

And chillingly, getting rid of the moon will have an opposite effect on U.S. weather — ushering in brutal temperatures that would ruin our agriculture, experts warn.

Officially, the [illegible] scheme suggested by a group of [illegible] scientists last year was rejected out of hand by the government of Russian president Vladimir Putin. But European experts [illegible]

[illegible] has given the project the green light.

It was early this year that astrophysicist Dr. Vladimir Khrenesky first announced the proposal as Weekly World News [illegible]

[illegible] gravitational pull over Earth [illegible] the sun and [illegible] the severe winters that make growing wheat so difficult in Russia.

"Simply destroy the moon and you get rid of the [illegible]," Dr. Khrenesky explained.

The Russian government said it would "study" the matter and promised to secure the cooperation of [illegible] before going forward with anything so radical.

"The [illegible] computer models showed that [illegible] Earth's [illegible]

[illegible] physicist Dr. [illegible], who blew the whistle on the plan.

"So in public the Russian government laughed off the idea as ridiculous — meanwhile they're forging ahead with the project full steam."

Demolishing the moon [illegible] simple matter of [illegible] nuclear warheads on Soyuz-type rockets and launching them at the target.

"If Russia suddenly fires them at the moon, what is America going to do about it? Start a nuclear war?" says Dr. [illegible]. "The Americans won't like it, but it looks like they'll have to live with it."

MOON MADNESS

[illegible]

TITANIC ON THE ROCKS

Man invented beer before he invented bread!

By GLENN MUELLER
Kennedy World News

LONDON — Beer has been around a lot longer than we ever thought. In fact, it seems prehistoric man may have relaxed after a tough day of clubbing dinosaurs by chugging a few brewskies in his cave!

The latest research reveals man first discovered alcohol in 9000 BC, which is over 5,000 years earlier than archaeologists previously believed — and before bread was invented.

Researchers have even brewed up a theory that our beer-swilling ancestors from the Stone Age invented pottery as a way to transport their favorite fermented malty beverage.

Scientists previously assumed the first human settlements grew crops to eat for food. Archaeologist Dr. Merryn Dineley of Manchester University says the new discovery changes all that.

"Our findings show that the production of beer was the driving force behind the first agricultural communities," she said.

Dineley and her colleagues also uncovered the remains of primitive breweries, containing stone grinding stones that have been lined with bitumen, which were used to ferment and store the beer.

Scientists remain uncertain about how primitive man first discovered alcohol.

The most likely scenario seems to be that humans discovered how to turn grain into malt, which is sweet and nutritious," says Dr. Dineley.

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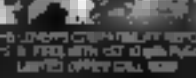

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NEW SPRAY WARDS OFF GAYS – LIKE BUGS!

By BRETT ANNISTON
Weekly World News

CHICAGO — Guys, are you constantly pestered by hot-to-trot homosexuals? Well, now you can ward off unwanted advances with a new spray that shoos away pesky guys like bugs!

"Simply spritz on Gay Away and even the most aggressive male suitor will suddenly stop batting his eyes and ignore you as if you [redacted] in the room," boasts Chicago chemist Dr. Martin Habelton, [redacted] invented the repellent and sold the idea to a manufacturer in April.

'Guys would always approach me...wearing Gay Away, I never got hassled!'
– Simon R.

Test marketing of the anti-gay spray, which also comes in roll-on form, has been a hit with 600 heterosexual male volunteers coast to coast.

"I'm married straight, but for years, guys would always approach me, even at the most macho events – bowling tournaments, pro-wrestling fights, even at a rodeo," says a 41-year-old Houston interior painter named Simon R.

"I have no idea why they zeroed in on me. Maybe because I have a habit of whistling Bette Midler songs, I dress neatly and have that sissy-sounding

HABELTON's invention is

cards printed up that read, 'I appreciate the interest, but I'm not gay. Please leave me alone.'

"I'd distribute them at parties and whenever I walked into a bar, just so these lowly-bully guys would know right off the bat I wasn't one of them.

"Now, while I'm wearing Gay Away, I never get hassled."

Gay Away works much like insect repellent.

"Contrary to popular belief, insect repellents don't really 'repel' insects, they actually make you invisible to [redacted] blocking their sensors. Gay Away uses the same principle," explains Dr. Habelton, who says he was inspired to invent the product because his good looks, soft-spoken manner and weak handshake have made him a "lifelong target" of homosexuals.

All males emit sexual attractants known as pheromones, that are smelled subconsciously. Homosexuals emit a slightly different version, he says.

"Many perfectly straight men send a chemically similar version — which gays pick up as a 'vibe' and can't

"GAY AWAY" study participant, Simeon R. no longer has to deal with frisky fellas.

makes you invisible to those [illegible] on your shelves by 'Gaydar' just like the [illegible] Christmas Stealth Bomber is invisible to radar."

And the people behind the wild new line for fun growing number of wimpy, limbless white collar originals who find themselves headed for prison, he says.

"Will can wear a pink pompom, carry a purse and sing show tunes in the shower and your local gendarme neither will ignore you," brags Dr Hazelton.

DR. MARTIN HAZELTON

Gay rights organizations were initially outraged at the product, some branding it repugnant. But surprisingly, some have endorsed the spray.

"Scores of our men are beaten senseless each year because some straight lout says he was eyeing him," says a spokesman for the San Francisco-based Gay Equality Now.

YOUR NOSE GROWS, EVEN IF YOU TELL THE TRUTH!

GENEVA, Switzerland — According to a recent study, there is a little bit of Pinocchio in us all. Swiss researchers say our noses continue to grow throughout our lives, so the next time somebody tells you your nose is getting bigger, they may not be accusing you of lying!

Apparently the growth occurs because the human nose is mostly made of cartilage, which continues to grow and stretch as we get older. Sagging skin can also make a nose get longer, claim the researchers, who studied more than 2,500 noses.

The average nose grows only inches every 50 years though, so if you've got a small schnoz don't expect to look like Barbra Streisand anytime soon.

MING DING-A-LING

Hsian, China — A shocking new discovery may prove ancient Chinese women were hotter than we thought — archaeologists have unearthed seven female dildos from a Han Dynasty tomb!

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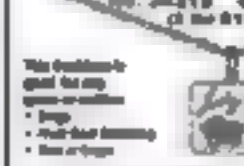

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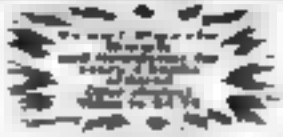

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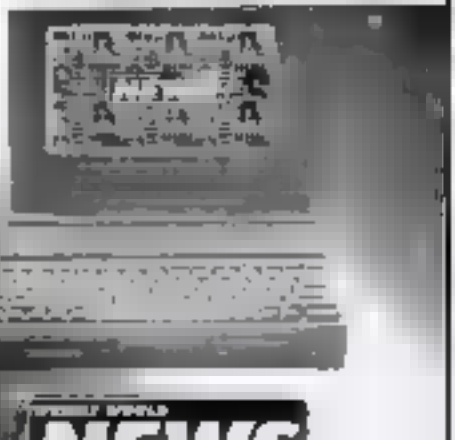

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PSYCHIC Sonya Sabak, sister of Weekly World News Psychic Serena Sabak

When I go to bed, something climbs in next to me

Dear Readers: I'm honored to be filling in for my sister, Serena Sabak, following her horrible car accident. Serena is lying in a coma in a Florida hospital, and I hope she comes back to work soon. I always wanted to be a columnist like her, but I didn't want it this way. — My blessings to you all, Sonya Sabak.

Dear Serena: I'm a 47-year-old single woman. In the past month I have had trouble sleeping because as I begin to doze off I hear what sounds like a baby crying in the distance. Then it feels like someone is crawling into bed beside me.

It's not as frightening as it sounds, because I sense that the presence is comforted by being in my bed, just like when I used to curl up in my mother's bed when I was a little girl. Do you have a clue? — Baffled in Coal Creek

Dear Baffled: I'm no expert but psychic ability does run in my family. I consulted Serena's crystal ball and it tells me that you gave a child up for adoption when you were 17. That presence you feel is your adult daughter trying to make contact with you. "Anita" desperately wants to know who her loving and the words to thank her for. You need to contact the agency that arranged for Anita's adoption. They have the information that will allow you to meet Anita and your new granddaughter.

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Dear Serena: I have known Alan for six months. The first time I met him I knew he was the one for me. Seven other psychics have told me he is my soul mate and we will be together. The problem is that he is still married and can't seem to move toward ending things with his wife. Will we ever be together? I thought we all had one soul mate and would be together no matter what, but now I am having doubts. Please help. — Hurting Heart in Waynesboro

Dear Hurting Heart: Even though my sister is in a coma, I can still able to consult with her spirit. Serena's spirit tell me Alan is not you very much. You will need incredible patience to help him deal with the breakup of his marriage. You and Alan will eventually find a fulfilling relationship but it will not be an easy road for the next three years. It will be worth it, however.

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Dear Serena: I just had a scary experience. I was sitting on my couch when I began to float away from my body. I looked down and saw my body lying on a forest floor with a pool of blood around it and a gun lying next to my right hand. I felt as if I had done something horrible and regretted it, but that it was too late because I was dead. Then I saw a dark cloud, but behind it was a surprise. I relaxed for a minute and then returned to my body on the couch. Did I see my own death? — Shaken Up in Quebec

Dear Shaken Up: I know what Serena would say in this situation. She'd say you had an out-of-body experience. But this wasn't a literal warning of your death. You committed suicide in a past life, but your soul has continued to "relive" the moment hoping to atone for what was an impulsive act that hurt those you left behind. You need to chill out a little and learn healthier ways of coping with stress.

PSYCHIC Serena Sabak suffered severe head injuries in an auto accident on September 23 and is shown here undergoing subsequent brain surgery. WWN's beloved psychic is in a coma and remains in critical condition. Turn to Page 12 for more details.

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I think my son is possessed by Satan

Dear Serena: My 18-year-old son has become involved with a weird religious cult. He used to be a pretty level-headed kid, but he just quit his job and now he spends all his spare time with the other members of his "church."

When he's at home he's very moody. He mutters to himself that he's scared of going to Hell; then he gets into these moments of rapture talking about the Lord returning and then he turns positively evil saying the rest of the family will perish when Satan comes after us. I don't know what to do. Is he possessed? — Mystified in Sacramento

Dear Mystified: I communicated once again with my sister on the astral plane, and she revealed to me that your son isn't possessed — at least not by any forces of darkness. But he is screwed up mentally. I sense a history of mental illness on your husband's side of the family and I believe it's possible that your son may have inherited it. You need to have him see a doctor as soon as possible. I've tried to cast a tempering healing spell but I'm a novice here, so cut me some slack.

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Dear Serena: I just bought a used freezer from the classified ads in our local newspaper. At first it worked just fine and made a nice purring noise. But now, every so in a while it screams like a banshee. I had a repairman look at it, but it still does it, and usually about 3 a.m. It's driving me crazy. When I hear it I think someone is being attacked. I've sent you a picture in case that helps. — Frozen Fear in Brighton

Dear Frozen Fear: Thank you for the picture. You didn't tell me what was inside your freezer, but even my comatose sister could sense the vibrations coming from the photo you sent. You have frozen venison in your freezer. Your husband is a hunter and the deer he shot last fall was suffering from chronic wasting disease, which is similar to mad cow disease.

Serena's crystal ball tells me your family hasn't eaten much of that venison, and it would wise to dispose of it for safe-keeping. Your freezer has been trying to "warn" you. You'll find after you get rid of the meat that the mysterious noises will stop.

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Dear Serena: My boyfriend and I are planning to get married. He's a widower and we've been living in the house he shared with his late wife. Lately I've been seeing visions of his ex-wife. She appears to me and tells me to get out. Plus, little accidents keep happening. It seems she doesn't want me around. What do you think? — Suspicious in Toledo

Dear Suspicious: I don't have to be a top psychic to know you've got a jealous spirit on your hands. Your boyfriend has not let go of his feelings for his wife. He needs to kick that ghost to the curb. One way of doing that is to have him take down all her pictures and put all of her belongings into storage. Other spirit guys may listen to call an exterminator to rid you of the restless soul.

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CONFIDENTIAL TO: Tara Bateman: You also have to wait 'til my sister wakes up.

Jo Cape Girardeau: Your wife was "Stephanie," is more right for you than "Gerald." I'll try to cast a love spell, but I can't promise any results. Hey, I'm new at this!

Name Game in Ottawa: The name on the inside cover of that rare book you recently bought matches the name of your future ex-wife. Stay tuned for a new chapter in your life!

Too Many U-Turns in Tecumseh: I'm sorry, but I am not yet qualified to answer your question. That one is going to

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What's your secret message from the Fortune Cookie this week? It's easy and fun to decipher. Here's the key to decoding your message:

If the number of letters in your first name is 2 or less, count that number from 7. If there are more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract the total from 11.

Now take the result and find your key letter in the word ORIENT above. Then, starting at the upper left corner of the box at left, check each one of your key letters as it appears from left to right. The letters below each of

LOUD MUSIC IS DESTROYING THE OZONE LAYER!

'turn down the volume... before it's too late,' say experts

LOS ANGELES — The loud music you play in your car could be contributing to the destruction of the ozone layer!

Dr. Andrew Hayward, the 67-year-old chairman of the Ozone Preservation Bureau, says that the ear-splitting guitar squawks and thudding bass-heavy riffs that are a staple of many popular songs seem to be traveling upward and perforating the delicate layer that protects us from deadly ultraviolet rays.

DOCTOR Andrew Hayward

"The constant throbbing and pounding of the bass in these songs is relentless, and the louder it gets, the more damage it does," says Dr. Hayward. "The cumulative effect is like that of a jackhammer, continuously wearing away at the ozone."

By MIKE MORSE
Weekly World News

Popular New York City rapper D.J. Jonny Fresh dismisses Dr. Hayward's catastrophic claims.

"Yo, that guy is whack," says the 21-year-old musician. "He's just an old coot who can't relate to the off the-hook tunes we have today. Today's music is da bomb!"

"This has nothing to do with the quality of the music," counters Dr. Hayward. "Actually, I like quite a few of the modern rappers, including Puff Diddly and Joe Rule. It's all about the volume. People are playing their music too damn loud, and it is killing the ozone layer."

"But Mr. Fresh is correct about one thing. Today's music is indeed the bomb... a time bomb waiting to blow a hole

Dr. Hayward says that results of the 10-year study show the worst offenders in the sonic assault are the car radios that blare from countless automobiles on American highways.

"Every kid who has his radio blasting while driving to the local mall is guilty of bringing our planet a little bit closer to total annihilation," he warns.

5 EASY WAYS TO HELP STOP GLOBAL WARMING

HEADPHONES	ROLL UP YOUR WINDOWS	NO OUTDOOR CONCERTS	SOUNDPROOF YOUR HOME	TURN DOWN THE VOLUME
Use headphones to avoid big sound holes that threaten the ozone.	Rolling your windows up goes a long way to stop the noise.	Outdoor shows are a big part of the problem.	Carpeting your walls stops the pollution-free racket.	The noise stops and your hearing will last longer.

FARM GIRLS PLOW IN NUDE

KATHMANDU, Nepal — Need another reason to visit Nepal, guys? How about buck-naked farm girls? Female farmers in the Asian nation have been plowing their fields in the nude as a special ritual to appease Indra, the Hindu god of rain, and summon a much-needed downpour.

SMOKING IS HEALTHIER THAN LAYING AROUND THE HOUSE EATING JUNK FOOD!

BERLIN — Lazing around the house eating junk food is worse for you than smoking, according to a surprising report by a top governmental agency!

World Health Organization nutritionist Dr. Aileen Robertson told a group of heart doctors that in many countries poor diet and lack of exercise are much bigger health problems than smoking. Japan has the highest rate of smoking, she said — and the lowest rate of heart disease.

Dr. Robertson told the Portuguese society of Cardiology that physicians must encourage patients to exercise and eat more healthful diets — and governments must have policies that enable people to make better lifestyle choices.

"I'm not saying that smoking plays no part in ill health," she says. "I am saying that diet is so important, and we have to get that message through because it is not understood at the moment."

Where's Osama? Find him & win $10!

Tony & Cleo's L-O-V-E L-I-N-K-S

SHOT IN THE DARK!

Singles bar has no lights

BERLIN — Attention swinging singles: If you're looking for the perfect place for a blind date, Germany's hottest new bar is for you.

No matter how smooth you think you are, picking people up at this bar is always a shot in the dark — because they never turn on the lights and most of the waiters and waitresses are blind!

At the "unsicht Bar," which means "invisible" in German, blind staffers lead their guests through a stunning sensory experience.

Patrons are forced to rely on senses other than sight in order to mingle with one another and find their lips with their beer mugs.

The bar also serves up some of the best food you may ever taste but never eat. Diners needn't worry about not being able to see the menu, because they can't order complex dishes anyway. They can only specify a fish, meat or vegetarian entree and leave the rest to blind luck.

"We want people to have an extraordinary experience of tasting, feeling, and smelling," says Manfred Schierbeck, who represents the organization for blind people, which is running the bar.

"People are surprised that their tongues and taste senses are strong over and are sending signals, which their eyes would normally have sent," he says.

By GLENN MUELLER
Weekly World News

MANFRED Schierbeck, photographed at the inside bar

Baby boy born — pregnant!

CALCUTTA, India — Doctors reported physicians say they found a baby inside a abnormal baby! The bizarre phenomenon is the result medical condition called "fetus in fetu," which occurs when one baby uses a baby's bloodstream from growing inside it. Baby doctors say they have been recorded in history, and the latest case was reported in November 2000, a baby girl was removed from a 40-year-old fetus in Calcutta.

The most recent case also happened in Calcutta but this time was much larger — 2.2 pounds.

"The child and fetus that we would have to remove a dead fetus weighing 2.2 pounds from a child weighing 16 pounds," says the Public Health Authority, who had a team of surgeons in operating the fetus. "It is a very rare."

MAN HIT BY TRAIN SURVIVES!

LONDON — A man was hit by a train traveling 100 mph, and not only survived the crash but actually walked away!

"She's lucky to be alive," says the [illegible] and a flabbergasted [illegible]

Sources say the 35-year-old man was walking on the railroad tracks when the train appeared. He tried to get out of the way, but the train struck him down.

Incredibly, he was able to walk to a friend's house to call for help. [illegible] for injuries so [illegible] required plastic surgery.

Learn your fortune-telling with Seven Sabah's Magic Tarot Cards!

Learn what the future holds for you in matters of health, money and love with famed Weekly World News psychic Seven Sabah's magic tarot cards.

Here's how:

1. Get comfortable, close your eyes and clear your mind.

2. Open your eyes and relax.

3. Turn to Page 44 and find your fortune under the number of the card you picked. For bonus, free reading, add your birthday numbers together and turn to page [illegible] — and reveal to you the shape of things to come!

FIND A MONKEY, WIN INSTANT CASH!

Get all the cash he swiped from the bum' wallet!

You can win instant cash just by reading this week's issue of Weekly World News — and finding the monkey who swiped the bum' wallet. You'll win a nifty $5, $10, $20, $50, $100 or more . . . all the bills he pulls out for you!

All you have to do is find him — and the cash he's holding! — on another page in this issue and mail us the number of the page. We'll draw one name from all correct entries. That lucky person wins the cash that's pictured with the monkey!

No purchase is necessary to win, but you must be 18 years old or older to enter.

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Solution to this week's monkey see Page 61

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Police beat

THE WORLD'S MOST INCREDIBLE CRIME REPORTS

By JANE MARK / Crime Reporter

HUBBY CUTS OFF WIFE'S LEG IN JEALOUS RAGE!

LAGOS, Nigeria — A bitter butcher carved off his wife's leg after she gave birth to twins — because he says she exposed herself to doctors in the delivery room!

The irate man was convinced that his wife was flirting with the gynecologist who examined her after she gave birth to twins.

When the couple returned to their home, the heartbroken husband didn't celebrate over the new additions to the family.

Instead, he dragged his wife to the bed and attacked her with his butcher's knives in a fit of jealous rage.

Neighbors called the police when they heard the woman's screams. By the time police arrived on the scene, he had sawed off her leg.

"I wanted to teach her a lesson," the man told police.

Cop takes time out from his wedding to catch car thief!

BLUE HARBOR, Kansas — Shortly after walking down the aisle with his bride, a cop leapt into action to bust a car thief!

When the off-duty cop arrived at his wedding reception, he spotted a crook breaking into a car in the parking lot. The cop's instincts took over and he bolted from the reception — still wearing his white tuxedo — to apprehend the thief. After a brief chase, the groom wrestled the bad guy to the ground and restrained him with his belt.

When he finally returned to his wedding reception the ecstatic cop did not exactly get a heroic welcome from his blushing bride. She allegedly told him off for running out on her and ruining his white tux.

"The wedding was kind of inconvenienced, but I knew it was worth it," says the cop.

As a "reward" for his heroic act, the cop will be sleeping on the couch for the next few months.

Hero monkey takes bite out of crime!

BOMBAY, India — When a shifty baggage thief swiped a train passenger's suitcase and made a run for it, he was brought to justice by a crime-fighting monkey!

The [illegible] monkey was entertaining a crowd of people at a railway station when it was tipped off by a trainer who spotted the thief. When the thief ignored the shouts of pursuing police officers, the monkey's master signaled for him to chase after the fleeing crook.

The monkey pounced on the crook's back and pinned him down until police arrived.

"We'd have easily run away with the booty had the monkey not helped us in that morning rush," says a police spokesman.

"We are really thankful to the street performer and his monkey for their service."

Kid gang busted in rash of candy store heists!

VORALBERG, Austria — Cops finally nabbed a notorious gang of robbers — who turned out to be a bunch of nose-picking, bed-wetting children!

Austrian police say the baby-faced crooks were responsible for a series of raids on area candy stores. The confused cops had long wondered how the candy bandits had been able to force their way into the stores through tiny window spaces.

The gang of six pint-sized crooks were all between the ages of 7 and 10.

"I have never seen anything like this in all my time as a police officer," says a spokesman for the police.

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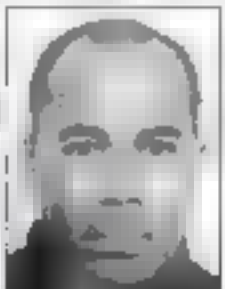
FBI'S MOST WANTED!

JAMES SPENCER SPRINGETTE

Aliases: Elvis Brady, Elvis Woody, Kyle Porter, Elvis Spencer, Kent Worrell, Kent Wignal, Kent Worrell Stephen Patterson, Brian Miller, Jimmy Springette, Jimi Springette, Aaron Spencer, Spencer Springer, Elmore Zoran Johnston, Brandon [illegible] Spencer Springette, "Jimmy," "Seagal," "Jimmy the Juice," "Uncle"

Photograph taken in 1991



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Photograph taken in 1999

MIAMI — Feds said that alleged drug smuggler — and you could earn a cool $50,000.

James Spencer Springette, 42, has been convicted of leading a Caribbean-based drug smuggling organization since 1991. He has reportedly smuggled tons of cocaine into the United States. He is also wanted for the attempted murder of a police officer in the British Virgin Islands.

Springette is 5-foot-11 and weighs 240 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes.

Do not try to approach this man — he is considered armed and extremely dangerous.

DEAD OR ALIVE?

THESE once-ubiquitous stars used to be as familiar to us as members of our own families. But we haven't seen much of them lately. Can you tell who's still living and who's dead? (Answers at bottom.)

ANDY GRIFFITH drew on his Southern roots to play daddy Taylor, the warm, wise sheriff of a small town called Mayberry.

DON KNOTTS created one of the most memorable comic figures ever conceived, as Andy's best friend, the quotable Deputy Barney Fife.

He grew up on TV, first as cute little Opie Taylor and then as Happy Days' Richie Cunningham. RON HOWARD later became a top movie director.

Before becoming Andy's motherly Aunt Bee, FRANCES BAVIER had a movie career that included The Day The Earth Stood Still.

JIM NABORS is best known for the shows about events since U.S. Marine George Pyle — a role he created on the Griffith show.

As Gomer, he was good-hearted and dumb. But GEORGE LINDSEY was quite bright, with a Bohemian degree from the University of Alabama.

Week: The Andy Griffith Show

WORD PUZZLES

Can you figure these out? The puzzles solve to form a phrase or sentence. For example — in the puzzle below, the answer is "stand over matter." Give it a try and make your brain happy! Check your answers below.

Example: MIND / MATTER

1. RASINGINGIN
2. READING
3. ground 12 in. 1 ft. ¼ yard 12 in. 1 ft. 1 yard
4. YOUR FATHER BORED
5. DOX DOX
6. Midnight
7. EYEE RED EXCEPT
8. ware long

Answers: Raising in reading; your father bored; docks docks; midnight; eye red except; where long

All but one of these famous Hollywood residences are still standing. Can you identify it? (Answer: Bess Flowers is still active, recommending at age 78. Frances Bavier died in 1988, at age 86. Jim Nabors is 66. And George Lindsey is 66.)

Your Level Fortune From Page 59 — REVEALED!

Your wise pixy Sorceress's Magic Tarot Cards, sent just here to Page 59 and pick a

Card No. 3: 10 of Wands
SIMPLE TRUTHS

Love: If you're unsatisfied, maybe it's time to change your goals. The relationship you're seeking could be right under your nose. Take another look.

Money: A small investment could pay off big, but it's going to take time — and patience. The days of huge returns and quick turnarounds are over.

Health: If you're not feeling up to par, ignoring the problem won't make it go away. Consult your physician.

Card No. 5: Knight of Cups
TAKING CHARGE

Love: Me who gets anywhere by standing still. It's time to make a move. Start socializing and to the one you seek, but don't move so quickly that you scare them off.

Money: You're due for a raise soon, but with budgets so tight you may have to work a little harder to make a case for it. Start gathering evidence now.

Health: You're under a lot of stress lately, with so many people making demands on your time. Slow down when you have to.

Card No. 1: Fool
MASQUERADE

Love: You're heading into a series of discoveries with your partner when you'll both learn some unexpected things about each other. Sagittarius will find some surprising potential in a co-worker or friend.

Money: Things are tight and you may be tempted to sell some of your possessions. Think twice before you dispose of anything precious.

Health: If you're stressed by symptoms of illness, stop fretting and get

Card No. 7: Ace of Swords
CHALLENGES

Love: Sagittarius, your patience will be tested with a series of bad dates — but then it finally lead to great love. If committed, you'll need some extra patience with your partner.

Money: You're being considered for an important project at work that could lead to a nice boost. Plans aren't final yet, however.

Health: If your fitness plan isn't paying off as you'd planned, it may be time to change the regimen and work a

Card No. 4: 3 of Pentacles
TRADE-OFFS

Love: If you're single, the love of your life will soon appear — but don't expect it to be perfect! Committed couples should take a hard look at what's really out there before straying.

Money: Opportunities for advancement and higher pay will come your way at work, but they'll present some difficult choices you may not want to make.

Health: After a long period of unease, you're feeling in fine shape again.

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WORLD'S WEIRDEST HOTEL

...where every room is a work of art!

BERLIN — Welcome to the weirdest lodging this side of the Bates Motel!

Propeller Island City Lodge is a wacky inn that immediately changes the perspective of anyone who stays there. Designed by an artist, its rooms range from the offbeat to the downright odd.

The quirkiest motel has a room where all the furniture is hanging upside-down from the ceiling, and one where the bed and other objects actually seem to be floating in midair.

One room is painted completely in orange. Another is designed like a mine shaft, another like a padded cell in a hospital psychiatric unit.

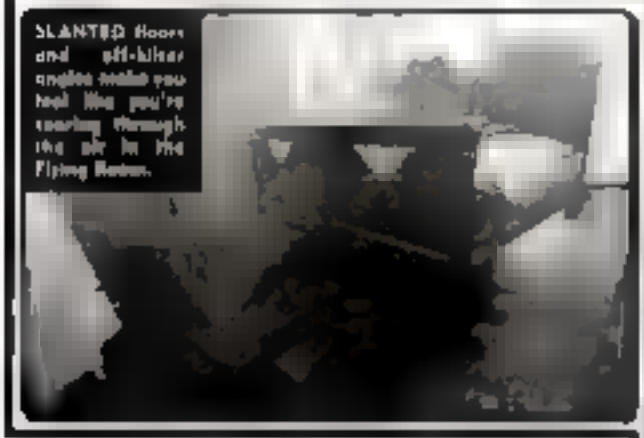
The 30-room hotel was created by artist multimedia Lars Stroschen, who says his guests aren't staying at a hotel so much as living in a work of art. "And it's nice to live with."

Propeller Island's owners claim to experience no wild take on reality. Each room has a system to alert them to "other" visitations. Ghosts and wood elves are numbers registered on Propeller Island.

The reason odd things — to Stroschen's mind — is that not every room has its own bathroom. Stroschen says water molecules have centuries-high memory because "due to spatial constraints there was not enough space for a bath basin. That's real by breaking a narrative line."

By KATE McCLARE

ON THE outside, Propeller Island City Lodge is just another downtown hotel. But inside, it will propel you to a whole new level in hotel accommodations!



SLANTED floors and off-kilter angles make you feel like you're soaring through the air in the Flying Room.

YOU COULD go nuts trying to figure out the meanings of the bizarre markings in the Symbol Room.

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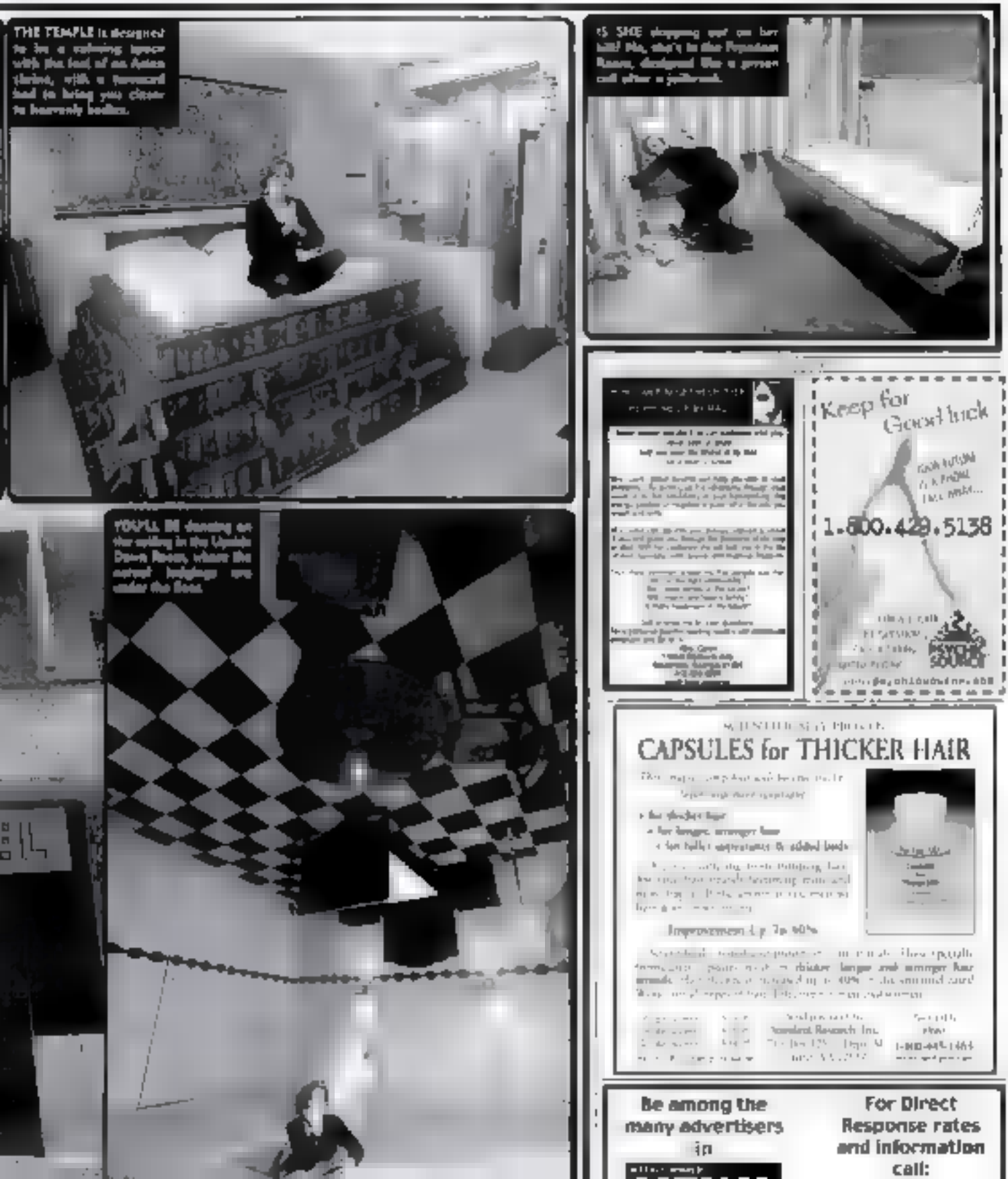
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FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 14

GIANT Horoscope

BY SONYA SABAK Psychic Astrologer to the Rich & Famous

Readers all over the country are using psychic astrologer Sonya Sabak's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks, and so can you! To find your Lucky Numbers, simply look them up under your birth sign in the chart below. If you need seven numbers for the lottery in your area, add your birthday. If you need fewer numbers, drop the numbers listed last.

ARIES

Mar. 21 – Apr. 19

Happiness is in the air, along with plans for a wonderful party at the end of the week.

Pull out all the stops, and use your flair for the dramatic to make the celebration the social event of the season. You won't be sorry you did.

Be warned against someone who may offer you a friendship in order to use your position to further their own cause.

TAURUS

Apr. 20 – May 20

Uncertainty with an acquaintance distresses you this week. But you'll be relieved when all the rumors going around are proven false.

Don't keep burning down those social avenues. An intriguing new friendship awaits you.

A phone call to a long-lost friend late in the week will lead to repeat, so get your reply ready for a fast summer getaway.

GEMINI

May 21 – June 20

Be prepared for unique opportunities to come knocking on your door this week. A phone call reveals that a relative or friend from the past has left you a small inheritance.

Beware of one who may try to take advantage of you.

The weekend is filled with possibilities for romance and socializing. Throw a party, as candlelight lends entertaining

CANCER

June 21 – July 22

This is a week when hasty decisions can be made. Ask friends for advice, but don't consider your decision for too long.

If single, take some time off from that crop this weekend, go out with a friend.

If spoken for, you and your mate should put your social life on hold over the weekend and take care of necessary home chores that you've been putting off.

LEO

July 23 – Aug. 22

Your luck runs high this week so do your play the lottery or bingo or become involved in a moneymaking scheme of some kind.

Be assertive when someone leads up, learn to pass the buck and motivate you in the right direction.

This weekend is full of surprises. Love is in the air so be receptive and keep you available.

VIRGO

Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

Be prepared for the opportunity to turn your creative gifts into a source of additional income this week. Now is the time to strike.

If you keep your eyes open, you will find lost money, just be sure to use the unexpected wisely.

Take time out of your busy schedule this weekend to relax with family or friends.

LIBRA

Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

A minor medical problem needs attention before it gets worse – and dangerous.

You may have to spot it for a while with a disheartened friend who would like to rain on your parade. Be kind and comforting, but don't let their negative thinking hold you back.

Money is in the stars for you this week!

SCORPIO

Oct. 23 – Nov. 21

If spoken for, this week your loved one's romantic feelings will intensify. It's time to return those loving feelings.

If single, current prospects couldn't be better. Keep those positive vibes going. A new romance is on the horizon.

Watch for good news in the mail and accept weekend invitations. A surprise get-together will introduce you to new friends.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

An older friend or relative has good news for you that will change your life.

This is an excellent week to enter a sweepstakes – chances are, the payoff will be BIG!

You'll overcome a minor disagreement with a close family member, but flaring tempers after an argument with an another loved one may ruin a happy occasion.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

The scene at home is shining brightly on your home life this week. If you have been on the outs with a partner, now may be the perfect time to rekindle the sparks.

If single, your datebook will be crammed with weekend invites, and you'll finally be able to put those new additions to your wardrobe to good use.

This is a good week for taking chances.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

A glimpse week may played when a male person keeps your life in constant turmoil. Maintain your positive attitude and things will soon return to normal.

You'll feel a sense of gratitude when a loved friend comes through for you.

Late in the week, keep your ears open — a friend will need your advice on a financial matter.

PISCES

Feb. 19 – Mar. 20

This week you'll find yourself on the woman's circle, repairing posture that send your spirits soaring.

A minor crisis could create major money problems if you don't curb your impulsiveness. A loved one will be there for support and comfort.

An old friend will offer a moneymaking opportunity. Listen carefully, it could pay off!

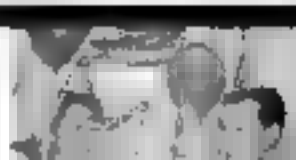
YOUR LUCKY LOTTO NUMBERS

ARIES	7, 10, 28, 31, 39, 44
TAURUS	[illegible]
GEMINI	3, 13, 17, 21, 33, 13
CANCER	[illegible]
LEO	4, 13, 19, 17, 29, 39
VIRGO	[illegible]
LIBRA	7, 10, 24, 30, 34, 38
SCORPIO	[illegible]
SAGITTARIUS	14, 16, 21, 27, 32, 38
CAPRICORN	[illegible]
AQUARIUS	2, 9, 17, 21, 29, 35

If your birthday is this week...

It's been a happy and healthy year for most folks born this week.

[illegible] Put your cautious nature aside and take some risks. They'll pay off for you.



AYATOLLAH KHOMEINI IS ALIVE!

. . . and he's taken over Al Qaeda!

TEHRAN — Sinister Al Qaeda scientists have resorted to unholy means to replace the missing Osama Bin Laden as their leader — they've brought the Ayatollah Khomeini back from the dead and put him in charge!

By AHMET FAROUK
Weekly World News

That's the word from top-secret CIA operatives who have observed the cadaverous Khomeini addressing Al Qaeda followers and leading them in training exercises in a newly constructed compound on the outskirts of Tehran.

"He looks like a walking corpse," says a top-level Pentagon insider. "His skin is rotting, and there's a nasty smell, but there's no question it's the Ayatollah."

The source continues, "At this point, we're not certain how Al Qaeda brought Khomeini back — if they used stolen technology or some bizarre form of voodoo."

Bin Laden has been missing since a raid on his compound in Tora Bora in December of last year, and it's not known if he's dead or alive.

The CIA first became concerned when Khomeini's body was reported stolen from his heavily guarded crypt at Behesht-e Zahra Cemetery in Tehran several months ago.

Khomeini was well known for his deep hatred of the Western world. He thought of himself as the avenger of the indignities that had been heaped upon the Middle East Moslems for

AYATOLLAH KHOMEINI appeared "more like a walking corpse" says a top official. The artist's impression, above, shows how the evil dictator might look today.

Left, Khomeini held 52 American embassy workers hostage for 444 days.

Khomeini sent the zealots plotting the Satan out of Iran and took over leadership of the country. Khomeini then launched a campaign to expand his religious revolution to surrounding Moslem countries.

He declared a war against Iraq that lasted eight years and cost millions of lives. He angered U.S. Americans to be

The secret to Osama's ability to keep Al Qaeda together after the Ayatollah's leadership of Al Qaeda will bring new trouble for America.

"When Khomeini was alive, he was one of the most dangerous men on the planet. Now that he's undead, he's more dangerous than ever."

A CIA official concludes, "I think I speak for the whole free world when

Dead or alive?

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MAN'S WILDEST FRIENDS

By KATE McCLARE
Weekly World News

AMAZING ANIMAL 'TALES!'

PEOPLE keep some pretty weird pets — and they're doing some pretty weird things with them!

One man sleeps with his pet crocodile, and another drives his racing pigeon crazy with jealousy just so she'll fly faster. And from the deep comes the story of an octopus that's gorgeous but deadly — and the nuts who actually want the thing as their pet!

KILLER PETS ARE HOT!

BANGKOK, Thailand — People are clamoring to own an animal that can kill them in seconds if it ever bites them!

They're fascinated by the brightly colored blue-ring octopus, which changes shades like a chameleon to blend into its surroundings. Its rings glow an electric blue when it feels threatened — and if it feels threatened enough to bite you, its poison can kill you in a minute. There's no known antidote.

But buyers are ignoring the risk. A trader tells the *Bangkok Post*: "This animal is hot stuff and sells very quickly. Twenty octopuses would sell in a very short time."

Marine biologists say the octopus, which is found in the waters off of Australia, New Guinea, Indonesia and the Philippines, isn't aggressive but still must be carefully handled.

CUTE — but deadly! The venom of a blue-ring octopus can kill you in 60 seconds flat.

SPEEDY PIGEON WAS HOT TO TROT!

WEST YORKSHIRE, England — Pro athletes often claim they're sharper and more aggressive if they don't make love before a big contest. So the owner of a racing pigeon tried that with his bird — and she broke a speed record flying home to her mate!

John Hanson says he kept Hanson's Pride from making whoopee with her mate, Snowy, for a week before her big race. He also locked her in a cage and made her watch as Snowy mated with another bird.

Then he took Hanson's Pride to the south of France, and instructed her to race home to her lover. The plan worked. Hanson's pride flew 632 miles in only 14 hours and 16 minutes, busting the record by an entire day.

"Pigeons like sex just like we do," Hanson says.

FAMILY CUDDLES UP WITH CROC!

PHUKET PHO THALE, Thailand — Where does a three-foot crocodile sleep? Anywhere he wants!

In one Thai village, a three-foot croc wants to sleep with the man who raised him — and no one's about to kick the beast out of bed.

Prayoon Thongjan, 42, says he caught the croc while fishing three years ago and made him part of the family. The big lizard gets along well with Prayoon's 10-year-old son and their two dogs, and he loves to curl up to Prayoon at night.

Prayoon, who's not married, recalls their first night together: "Whenever I went to bed, he would follow and scratch the mosquito net over my mattress as though he was begging me to let him join me. I gave in eventually and let him in."

There are more Samoans living in L.A. than

By JUSTIN MITCHELL
Weekly World News

A car thief can rack up $45,000 by stripping a $15,000 car and selling the parts. The IRS consumes 293,000 trees to send out 8 billion pages of forms each year. The Honey Badger can withstand hundreds of African bee stings that would kill any other animal.

That's just a sample of the astonishing trivia that editors and reporters at *Weekly World News* have unearthed while researching all the terrific stories you read in our paper every week. Here's more:

● At the height of the O.J. Simpson trial in 1995, 800 people in West Virginia demanded new license plates from the Department of Motor Vehicles because the plates began with the letters OJ.

● Death by beer: On Oct. 17, 1814, nine people died in London after a brewery tank ruptured and flooded the parish of St. Giles with 3,500 barrels of beer. The suds flood threw victims against walls, and buried them under wreckage. Two houses were also destroyed.

● Sweet and sticky death: Twenty-one Boston, Mass., residents lost their lives in January 1919 when an industrial molasses tank exploded and flooded the area with a tidal wave of goo.

● Maybelline mascara was named after a real person. T.L. Williams marketed the beauty product after observing what his sister Mabel was able to do with her personal recipe for darkening her eyelashes. It was originally sold as "Lash-brow-line" but sales were slow until 1915 when he rebabbled it Maybelline and added a new "secret" ingredient, Vaseline petroleum jelly.

● The world's longest criminal trial stretched from Nov. 20, 1992, to Nov 22, 1994, in Hong Kong. Fourteen South Vietnamese boat people were accused of murdering 24 North Vietnamese refugees. All were found not guilty.

● The world's fastest caterpillar is the larva of the Mother of Pearl moth. It can travel at 13-inches a second. That's the equivalent of 150 m.p.h. in caterpillar speed!

● The largest known outdoor spiderweb was discovered in October 1998 by a caretaker of an English school. The web covered the entire 11.2-acre playing field of the school in Warwick. It was constructed by thousands of black money spiders.

● The most blades on a penknife are 2,662. Since 1821, when the Year Knife was launched with 1,822 blades by cutlers in Sheffield, England, a new blade has been added for every year.

● The most people killed in an elevator accident were 105 who died when an elevator at the Vaal Reefs gold mine, South Africa, fell 1,886 feet on May 11, 1986. The accident happened after a runaway train fell into the shaft, crushing the elevator and sending it plunging.

● Tokyo is the world's largest city with an estimated population of almost 27 million people.

● The population of the entire world in 8000 B.C., according to the National Population Council, was 5 million.

● As a child, Beethoven made such a poor impression on his music teachers that he was pronounced hopeless as a composer. Even Joseph Haydn, who taught him harmony, did not recognize Beethoven's potential genius.

● Famed French artist Paul Cézanne was 58 years old when he had his first one-man exhibition.

● The nutritional value of squash and pumpkin seeds improves with age. These seeds are among the few foods that increase in nutritional value as they decompose.

● The word sunset comes from the Greek homeric, meaning "wearing long hair."

● Every plant found in Tomorrowland at Disneyland in Anaheim, Calif., is edible. Plants in this section of the amusement park include bananas, strawberries, tomatoes and more.

● The term "spaghetti Western" originated during the 1960s. Moviemakers made low-budget films in Italy because it was cheaper to produce them there than in the United States. Upon completion of a movie,

The world's largest criminal gang isn't Italian. It's the 50,000 Japanese gangster group called "Yamaguchi-gumi" which is part of the 90,000-member mafia known as the "Yakuza." Members of Yamaguchi-gumi sport hand-to-foot tattoos and disgraced members have missing fingers, which are cut off for acts of betrayal.

Colombian bombshell Shakira's full name is Shakira Isabelle Mebarak Ripoll.

The flounder swims on its side.

on the island of American Samoa . . .

Out of the $1.3 trillion the government spends annually in federal funds, about 41 percent goes to military spending. $313 billion goes to current activities, such as allotment to the Dept. of Defense and military retirement and $234 million goes to past activities, such as veteran's benefits and public debt. That comes to a total of $547 billion dollars every year.

the Italian actors. Struggling actor Clint Eastwood had left Hollywood for a few years and made his early Westerns in Italy with director Sergio Leone, to whom the term "spaghetti Western" is attributed.

● When the first pulsar signal was detected in 1967, it was thought that its signals might be a message from an alien civilization deep in space. The signal was jokingly labeled "LGM," for "little green men."

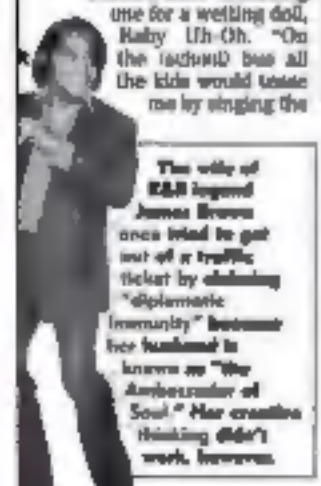
● Brainy actress Meryl Streep was a cheerleader in high school.

● Sexy film star Kirsten Dunst has been acting since she was 3 years old. Before breaking into movies at age 7, she was in more than 70 commercials including one for a wetting doll, Baby Uh-Oh. "On the [school] bus all the kids would tease me by singing the Baby Uh-Oh jingle," she said in an interview. "I got so much torment out of that commercial."

"Mike the headless chicken" of Fruita, Colo., holds the record for a creature living the longest with its head cut off. The Wyandotte chicken owned by Lloyd Olsen survived for 18 months after its head was lopped off on Sept. 10, 1945. Mike was fed a grain and water mixture squirted from an eye dropper through his neck.

The world's heaviest mongrel is King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV of Tonga who weighed 462 pounds in 1976. His majesty, who is 6-foot-3, has since slimmed down to about 300 pounds after a physical fitness and diet program.

1829 as a way to squash sexual lust. He believed that lust was the cause of a number of physical ailments, including spinal diseases, epilepsy and insanity as well as minor ills such as headaches and indigestion. Graham believed a strict vegetarian diet would stop sexual thoughts and urges and so urged a meat-free high-fiber diet as a solution. His bread "Graham bread" was baked from coarsely ground wheat flour.



The wife of R&B legend James Brown once tried to get out of a traffic ticket by claiming "diplomatic immunity" because her husband is known as "the Ambassador of Soul." Her creative thinking didn't work, however.

The stegosaurus was the dumbest dinosaur to walk the face of the Earth. The plate-backed prehistoric creature had a brain that was only the size of a walnut to act as the nervous system for the 30-foot long spike-tailed giant.

GODZILLA FACTS

The various rubber suits encasing the actors portraying Godzilla have weighed as much as 247 pounds for 1984's The Return of Godzilla to 88 pounds for Godzilla vs. Mechagodzilla in 1974.

Contrary to the claims of some monster movie buffs, 1962's King Kong vs. Godzilla does not feature separate endings — an American one with King Kong victorious and a Japanese one with Godzilla triumphant. The ending is ambiguous with Kong swimming off into the horizon after the two combatants roll off a cliff and into the ocean.

A 1992 poll of United States citizens asked them to name as many famous Japanese citizens as they could.

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GENTLE GIANT

ENORMOUS Emanuel Yarbrough, a Sumo wrestler from New Jersey, looms over a tiny 2-year-old walking past him at a promotional event in Toronto. Yarbrough is 6-foot-7 and weighs an ultra-heavy 720 pounds, and if that little girl gets too close